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Glib Tongue For France And Spain May Not Be All

(By Reuter's Diplomatic Correspondent)

THE AXIS NEGOTIATIONS WITH FRANCEAND SPAIN MAY NOT BY ANY MEANS BE THE WHOLE STORY OF THE EXTENT OF CURRENT GERMAN DIPLOMATIC MANOEUVRES.

It is probable that secret feelers are also being put out in the East.

The curtain of silence enshrouding all recent Axis moves are easily explicable in the light of the well-known Nazi policy of avoiding committing itself to any course in case it fails to achieve success.

Hence precise indications of German desiderata vis-a-vis Laval and Franco are lacking.

Whatever form Germany's proposals may have taken, however, they have apparently encountered some opposition in Vichy despite Laval's compliant attitude.

It is interesting to note that the veteran Marshal Petain is still able to make a stand in honour and obstinacy, even though he is liable to be circumvented by some of the astute politicians around him.

As to the sudden Hitler-Franco meeting, the fact that the Fuehrer put himself out to the extent of a 500-mile railway journey is proof of the importance of the issues involved.

Italy In Dark

Belief that an attempt was made to obtain from the Spanish Caudillo what the Axis failed to secure from Senor Suner in his Berlin visit, still holds.

The attitude of the Italian press to the latest developments indicates they are as much in the dark as the rest of the world but that they are determined not to be overlooked or admit they have been slighted.—Reuter.

France To Start Peace Offensive?

PETAIN SEES HITLER

Rumours that France may launch a new peace move on behalf of the Axis are circulating in diplomatic circles in Vichy, according to Vichy advices received in New York yesterday.

These rumours are linked with a reported impending further meeting between Pierre Laval, French Vice-Premier, and Hitler in Paris.

Meanwhile Marshal Petain has left Vichy for an unknown destination attired in full State uniform and accompanied by leaders of his Cabinet, according to Vichy reports quoted in a Berlin despatch.—Reuter.

[It was stated yesterday that a personal meeting between Hitler and Marshal Petain, might be arranged.]

Barest Communique

Hitler and Marshal Petain met yesterday at an undisclosed place in France.

A communique issued in Berlin after the meeting says: "The Fuehrer to-day received the Chief of the French State and President of the French Council of Ministers, Marshal Petain.

"The Foreign Minister, von Ribbentrop, and the Vice-President of the French Council of Ministers, Laval, were present." —Reuter.

First Result

First tangible result of the Hitler-Laval meeting will be the transfer of the Petain Government to Paris, according to the Berlin correspondent of the Yugoslav newspaper "Politika" quoted yesterday by Belgrade radio.

According to a Rome despatch to the same paper the situation in Syria was given special attention at the meeting.—Reuter.

NO PEACE NEGOTIATIONS IN PROGRESS

The Chinese authorities in Washington declared yesterday that reports of Sino-Japanese peace negotiations may be dismissed as unfounded.

Increasing American aid and the reopening of the Burma road had given China a new determination to continue the fight, it was added.—Reuter.

NAZI RAIDS ON SMALL SCALE

A few enemy aircraft, operating singly, crossed our coasts yesterday, says an Air Ministry communique, and bombs are reported from the London area, from Kent, from Hampshire and from a country district in Somerset.

Though full reports have not yet been received it is known that some damage was done to dwelling houses and industrial buildings in the London area and a small number of people were injured.

At one town in Hampshire considerable damage was done and there were a few casualties.

Two enemy bombers were shot down during the day by our fighters without loss to themselves. One enemy bomber was destroyed on Wednesday night.—Reuter.

MR. KENNEDY DELAYED AT LISBON

Mr. Joseph Kennedy, United States Ambassador to Britain, was unable to leave Lisbon for America yesterday as the Clipper's departure was postponed owing to bad atmospherics.

Weather permitting, Mr. Kennedy is expected to leave to-day.—Reuter.

OUR TURN NEXT

—MR. BULLITT

THE ATMOSPHERE IN AMERICA TO-DAY RESEMBLED THAT IN FRANCE IN 1938, WHEN THE FRENCH, IMPERILLED, HAD BEEN TOLD THERE WAS DANGER "BUT DID NOT FEEL DANGER," DECLARED MR. WILLIAM BULLITT, AMBASSADOR TO FRANCE, ADDRESSING A GATHERING IN NEW YORK YESTERDAY.

Mr. Bullitt said: "We must prepare now at war pace or we may be too late."

He added that the tripartite pact was a clear warning that "in the minds of the Dictators it is our turn next."—Reuter.

U.S. FACTORIES AHEAD OF SCHEDULE

Mr. Henry Morgenthau, Secretary to the Treasury, stated in Washington yesterday that nearly every American aeroplane manufacturer was either on time or ahead of schedule of delivery for both the United States Government and British orders.

As a result, he added, British officials in the United States were pleased but would still like faster production.—Reuter.

TWO TRAWLERS SUNK BY MINES

Two trawlers, Vella and Lord Lamp, have been sunk by enemy mines, according to an Admiralty announcement in London yesterday.—Reuter.

CHUNGKING SEES TROUBLE?

THE CHINESE ARE WATCHING THE SITUATION IN SHANGHAI IN CONNECTION WITH THE EVACUATION OF AMERICAN NATIONALS, IT WAS STATED IN CHUNGKING.

It is noteworthy that Chinese Government banks have suspended all remittances to Shanghai. Remittances at present are only possible to Hong Kong.—Reuter.

MADAME LUPESCU RUMOURS

NO CONFIRMATION IS YET TO BE OBTAINED IN MADRID OF RUMOURS THAT MADAME LUPESCU, MISTRESS OF EX-KING CAROL OF RUMANIA, IS BEING EXTRADITED TO RUMANIA.

It is obvious, however, that the watch kept on ex-King Carol and Madame Lupescu by the Spanish police is now much stricter.

They are unable to leave the hotel at Seville where they are staying.—Reuter.

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BERLIN RAID PRESSED HOME

Military Objectives Attacked In Large Force

Extensive R.A.F. Bomb Operations

BERLIN, BOMBED AGAIN ON WEDNESDAY NIGHT FOR THE TWENTY-SECOND TIME, WAS VISITED BY R.A.F. HEAVY BOMBERS FOR NEARLY TWO HOURS.

Two of the capital's principal power stations were among targets selected. They were the Berliner electricity works, in the Charlottenberg area, and the Kilngenberg works, on the opposite side of the city.

The great railway yards at Tempelhof, Putlitz Strasse and Lehreter were also attacked.

Reaching Berlin well after midnight by dead reckoning navigation because of cloud, they were met by intense concentrated fire from batteries on the outskirts of the city and in the city itself. But neither guns nor searchlights could stop the attack.

The crew of one bomber which spent half an hour over the capital said they went straight through the outer barrage, picked up their position in the target area and got ready to bomb.

Some A.A. shells burst very close and a member of the crew who put his head out of the side-windows said he heard them go off with a "crisp, sharp explosion." Their bombs started a large fire.

Other aircraft located their objectives by the aid of parachute flares.

A squadron leader attacking one railway yard said somebody else put down a flare very nicely for them just at the crucial moment.

Straight And Level

"We carried out attacks straight and level, ignoring fire from the ground. It was right in the centre of the city.

"About five to fifteen seconds after the bombs burst, four fires sprang up."

The pilot of another aircraft made six separate circles over Charlottenberg power station to make certain their bombs got dead over the target.

Immediately after the bombs dropped several fires broke out in the area.

Tons of high explosive bombs and hundreds of incendiaries were unloaded on dock areas and adjacent railway sidings in two separate raids, the first of half an hour and the second of one hour, on Emden.

Factory Attacked

A large factory with its own railway sidings was attacked 50 miles east of Berlin, and other objectives included railway cars at Frankfurt-on-Oder, a factory 40 miles east of Bremen where night work was in progress, the Dornier aircraft factories at Wissman, on the Baltic coast, and oil refineries at Hanover and Magdeburg, both of which had been damaged in previous raids.

Official Communique

R.A.F. bombers which attacked objectives in the Berlin area on Wednesday night caused fires and explosions, states the Air Ministry communique.

Other forces of aircraft carried out concentrated raids on railways, wharves and warehouses at the port of Emden.

Other targets in Germany and enemy occupied territory were attacked. They included oil plants at Magdeburg and Hanover, goods yards east of Berlin, near Hanover, and at Frankfurt.

Various industrial targets and railway junctions in northern and western Germany, docks at the Hook of Holland and several enemy aerodromes were also bombed.

One R.A.F. plane is missing from these operations.—Reuter.

DEFINITE PLAN OF ATTACK

Sirens awakened Berliners again on Wednesday night as British 'planes which earlier had visited Hamburg began to arrive over the German capital, says the Stockholm "Aftonbladet" Berlin correspondent.

"The attack clearly followed a definite plan," wires the correspondent.

"Particularly heavy bomb detonations were heard in western Berlin where it is reported numerous fires were caused.

"Berliners got their morning papers and letters late owing to the raid."—Reuter.

INCREASE IN TEA QUOTA

The International Tea Committee in London, it was announced yesterday, has decided to increase the quota by 2½ per cent for the current control year ending March 31, 1941.—Reuter.

TRAINING PARACHUTISTS IN CANADA

Parachute troops may shortly begin training in Canada "as against the time when we may take the offensive," the Canadian Air Minister revealed in Ottawa yesterday.—Reuter.

R.A.F. MEN REACH CANADA

A number of men in R.A.F. uniform arrived at an eastern Canadian port yesterday from England.—Reuter.

AIR VICE-MARSHAL BLOUNT KILLED IN CRASH

Air Vice-Marshal C. H. B. Blount has been killed in an air crash, it was announced in London yesterday.

He commanded the air component (army cooperation squadrons) of the R.A.F. in France.—Reuter.

WILLKIE REPLIES

Mr. Wendell Willkie made his reply to President Roosevelt's election campaign in a train broadcast at Harbor Creek, Pennsylvania, yesterday.

Mr. Willkie declared that if President Roosevelt did not remember his promises of to-day longer than he did those of 1932, he feared that "our boys" would soon be placed in war transports bound for some foreign shore.

Replying to President Roosevelt's claims concerning the achievements of the New Deal, Mr. Willkie asserted that national income under President Roosevelt has declined by 11 per cent., industrial production by five per cent., farm income by 20 per cent., industrial wages and salaries by 21 per cent. and dividends by 32 per cent. — Reuter.

U.S. ARMY AIR CORPS PLANS

Reorganisation of the United States Army's Air Corps to increase its number of combat groups from 25 to 54, was announced by the War Department in Washington yesterday.

It was stated that this will create a "highly mobile fighting force" capable of operating anywhere in the Western Hemisphere. — Reuter

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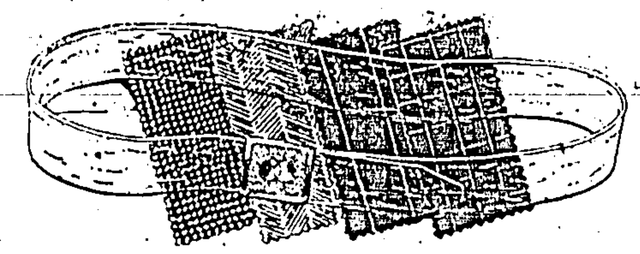

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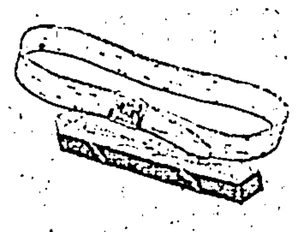

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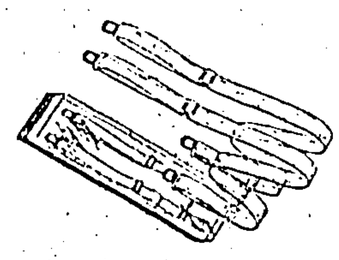

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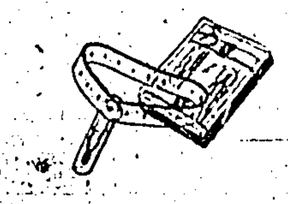

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Following the sinking of the Italian six-inch gun cruiser Bartolomeo Colleoni by H.M.A.S. Sydney. In the clothes in which they were rescued, survivors of the Bartolomeo Colleoni are being marched off at Alexandria. (Copyright, Fox).

Special Role For Defiants

To Be Britain's Night Fighter

A SWIFT ADVANCE in the deadliness of British fighter 'planes as well as the early introduction of new types was foretold by Air Marshal Sir Philip Joubert in a broadcast last night.

Spitfires and Hurricanes were being made faster, were able to climb higher and were more heavily armed. Defiants were being restored to their proper role of night fighter and, with developments, should be very effective.

Several types of fighters, as big an improvement on the Spitfires and Hurricanes as these were on their predecessors, were on the stocks.

Dealing with the R.A.F. bombing offensive, Air Marshal Joubert said:

"We can hope from now onwards steadily to increase our pressure on Germany and her ally and by next Spring, when the flow of American aircraft becomes a flood, we shall return to Germany with sevenfold interest the bombing that we have had to endure."

New R.A.F. bombers, he said, would be as good as the new fighters.—Reuter.

R.A.F. 'PLANES TORPEDO SUPPLY SHIPS

The R.A.F. have successfully torpedoed two enemy supply ships in the North Sea, and another enemy vessel was heavily machine-gunned.

This was officially announced in London last evening. The operations were carried out by aircraft of the Coastal Command on Wednesday. —Reuter.

JOCKEY CLUB'S WAR DONATIONS

The Special Sweep on the Kwangtung Handicap, 1940, resulted in a surplus of $61,902.53. This has been divided between the "South China Morning Post" War Fund and the British Fund for Relief of Distress in China.

The sum in question brings the total amount contributed by this Club to War Funds up to $259,-

The Stewards have decided that the surplus on the Special Sweep the Annual Race Meeting, 41, which will be on the Rooty ll Derby, will be allocated to itish Funds and the British nd for Relief of Distress in ina.

EASING PRICES ON STOCK MARKET

Home rails were still to the efront on the London Stock change yesterday but profitking reduced earlier gains. Instrials displayed several good ots but generally prices tended ense. Gilt-edged and Kaffirs re better supported towards the se. Wall Street was firm.—uter.

SUMMER TIME IN WINTER

Summer Time in Britain will continued all through the win- the Home Secretary announcein the House of Commons yesday. — Reuter.

FELL OUT OF BED: KILLED

While asleep yesterday morn- a 73-year-old Chinese rolled the bed and fractured his skull. died later in the Queen Mary spital.

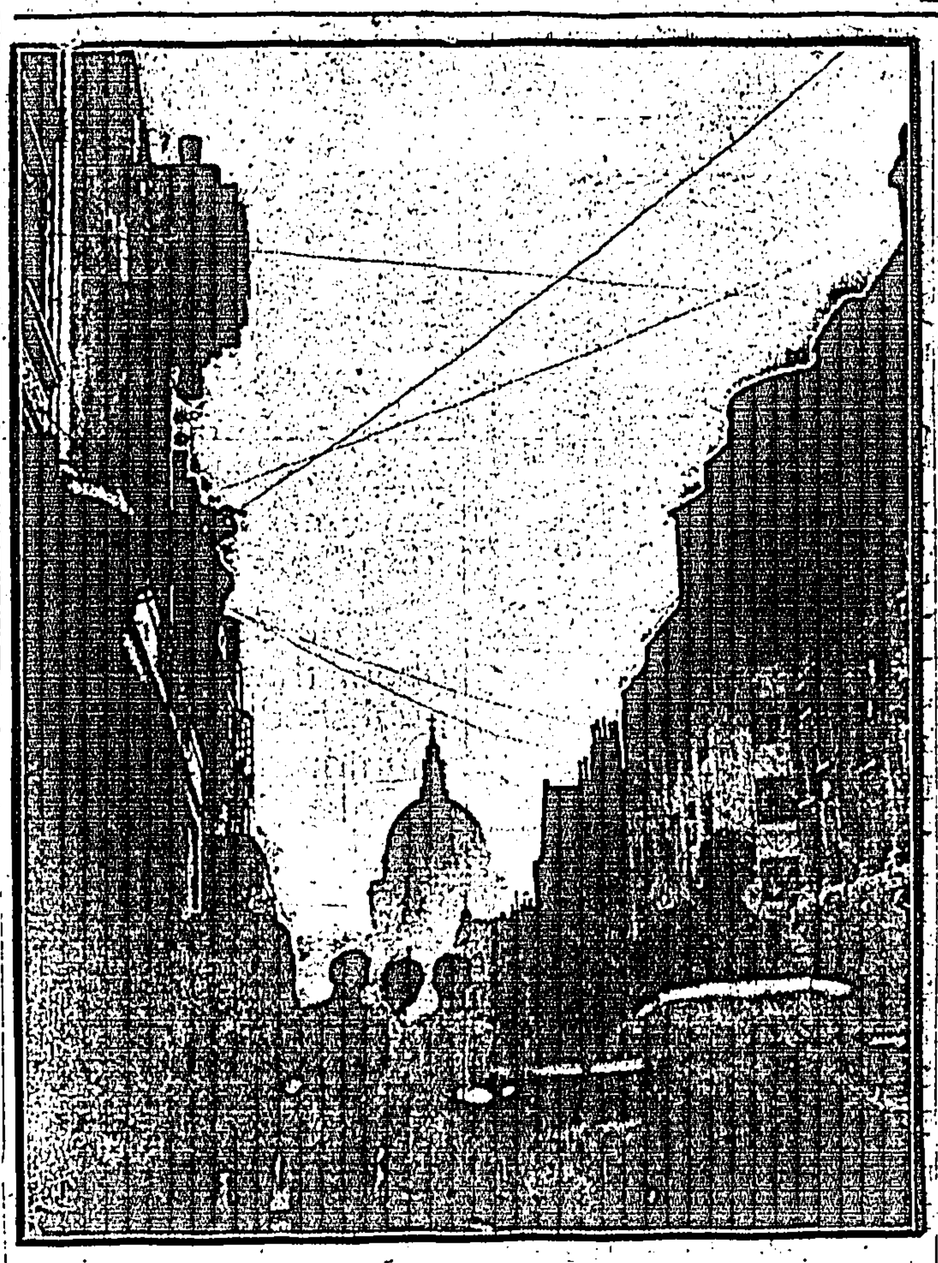
PLIGHT OF BRITONS ON RIVIERA

QUESTIONED IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS ABOUT STEPS BEING TAKEN TO HELP THE 2,000 BRITISH SUBJECTS STILL ON THE FRENCH RIVIERA, MANY OF WHOM ARE DESTITUTE, MR. HAROLD BUTLER, UNDER-SECRETARY FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS, SAID THAT U.S. CONSULS IN UNOCCUPIED FRANCE HAVE BEEN ASKED TO ADVANCE UP TO £10 A MONTH TO BRITISH SUBJECTS IN NEED.

They have also been asked to advance travelling expenses to those people who are able to reach the Spanish frontier.

On the frontier, British consular officers will give them further help.

Mr. Butler said that except for men of military age he knew of nothing to prevent British subjects from returning via Lisbon, although the journey back from France must necessarily be an arduous one. — Reuter.



City workers were treated to a thrill during an air raid when British fighters went into action over the City. Here are people watching in Fleet Street looking towards St. Paul's (Copyright, Fox).

EMPIRE'S NEW AIR FORCE

THE FIRST GROUP OF OBSERVERS OF THE BRITISH COMMONWEALTH TRAINING PLAN HAVE NOW GRADUATED AND WERE AWARDED THEIR BADGES YESTERDAY IN TORONTO BY MR. JAMES DUNCAN, CANADIAN DEPUTY MINISTER FOR AIR.

Addressing the men, Mr. Duncan said they were "forerunners of that great host of young men whose ever-growing strength will turn the tide of victory."

The first groups of pilots and air gunners will complete their training shortly.—Reuter.

RETURN TO SPAIN

Senor de Muguiro, Spanish Minister to Hungary, has returned to Spain.—Reuter.

GERMAN EXODUS

All Germans have been removed from Bessarabia with the departure of the last batch of 3,000 Germans, according to the German radio yesterday. A total of 90,000 Germans was transferred. —Reuter.

REBUILDING OF BOMBED BRITAIN

Government plans to repair the damage done by Nazi bombs in raids on Britain were revealed yesterday in the House of Commons by Mr. C. R. Attlee, Lord Privy Seal, when he explained the duties of the new Ministry of Works and Supplies.

Sir John Reith, head of the Ministry, will decide which buildings are to be repaired first, and will also be responsible for control of central purchases of building materials where necessary, as well as to institute research into such problems as the use of substitutes for any building materials short in supply.

The Ministry will take over the whole organisation of the Office of Works and the building work of the Ministry of Supply, including the approval of plans for any new factories.

Great Problems—And Opportunities

Only highly specialised work — such as the building of aerodromes —will be controlled by the Service departments.

Mr. Attlee said that it was clear that reconstruction after the war raises great problems, and affords great opportunities. The Ministry will accordingly consult all those concerned and report to the Cabinet. — Reuter.

H.M.S. GLORIOUS SINKING DISCLOSURES

A CONSIDERABLE number of survivors of the aircraft-carrier H.M.S. Glorious, which was sunk in an action in the North Sea in June, remained afloat on rafts for some time while British aircraft and ships passed close to them without seeing them.

This was disclosed by Sir Victor Warrender, Parliamentary Secretary to the Admiralty, when answering a question in the House of Commons yesterday.

Sir Victor explained that for a completely inexplicable cause any signals made by Glorious at the time were not intercepted.

As the air officer commanding Glorious went down with the ship, much of what happened must of necessity remain a mystery.—Reuter.

ABE RETURNING TO JAPAN

General Abe, Japan's Special Envoy to Wang Ching-wei's puppet regime in Nanking, left Shanghai for Japan yesterday morning.—Our Own Correspondent.

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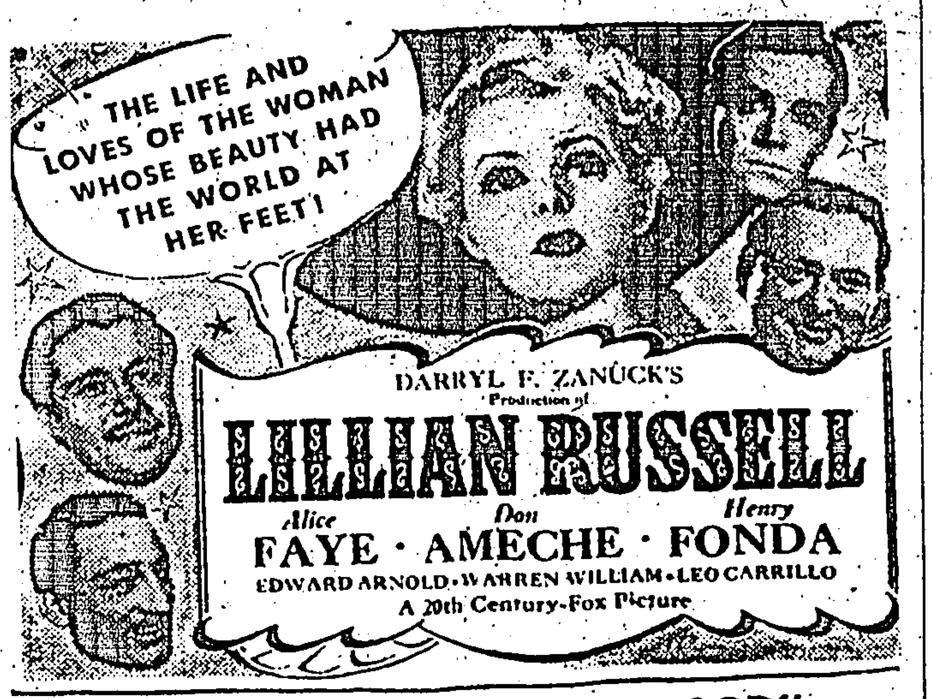

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KEEN SPECULATION ON HITLER'S TREK ACROSS FRANCE

MARSHAL PETAIN'S reply to the German demands was expected to be handed over to Hitler last night. He is believed to have met Hitler, while Der Fuehrer was trekking from the Spanish frontier.

The Germans are being curiously silent about these talks and the German press has published nothing more than the official communiques. Similar reserve is shown on the Spanish side, although General Franco has arrived back in Madrid.

The general impression of Hitler's trek across France to the Spanish frontier is that the talks with France and Spain have similar objects in view — and that Germany is not satisfied with Italy's support and is searching for fresh allies.

Probably Dr. Goebbels will have the task of starting a new propaganda campaign which will attempt to persuade the French and Spaniards that Germany is bound to win the war and they had better book their seats in the "New Order" early.

Evidence is accumulating to show that Ribbentrop's behaviour during Senor Suner's visit to Berlin was not calculated to win Spain's support and that this is possibly the reason why Hitler had to make the journey himself.

Bases Wanted

The Swiss press has been discussing the line which the German demands may take if Hitler fails to persuade either Spain or France to declare war against Britain.

There is an apparent desire to get the use of naval and air bases in Spain, France and French Africa.

This seems to be an alternative on which the Germans can fall back, and at present there is no reason to suppose other than that they are trying to get more substantial support, in particular the use of the French Navy. — Reuter.

ZANZIBAR MOBILE CANTEENS

MORE WAR GIFTS CONTINUE TO COME IN FROM THE EMPIRE.

The Central Committee of the Uganda War Fund has sent £12,000 to Lord Beaverbrook, Minister of Aircraft Production, to buy fighter 'planes.

The Sudan War 'planes Fund has sent in £10,000, while Mr. Oswald Finney, of Alexandria, has sent in a further £10,000 as a personal gift from himself.

From Nairobi comes news that the people of Zanzibar have sent £500 for mobile canteens which are to bear the name of "Zanzibar."

They have sent the money because they are "stirred by London's magnificent defence and steadfastness."

The master of a Danish ship has sent £100 to a British shipping company, together with a request that arrangements be made for him to pay £5 a month from his wages "as a little help towards your famous Spitfires."

The Sultan of Selangor has sent in Straits Dollars the equivalent of £886. 18s. 10d. collected from Malays and other Moslems in his country for the benefit of earthquake-sufferers in Turkey.

The money will be remitted to the Turkish Government through the good offices of the British Ambassador. — Reuter.

GLASGOW EXPLOSION DISASTER

One of Glasgow's oldest industrial establishments — a starch works — was destroyed by an explosion and fire yesterday, with a heavy casualty list.

Substantial improvements were in progress when an explosio wrecked the works, windo were smashed over a wide ar and the roof of a neighbourin flour mill blown off.

A hundred A.R.P. worke assisted regular firemen.

Ten are believed to have be killed and 28 injured taken hospital.—Reuter.

SMIGLY-RYDZ ARRESTED IN RUMANIA

Marshal Smigly-Rydz, Commander-in-Chief of the Polish army when war broke out, has been arrested in Rumania, according to Rome radio yesterday.

The Marshal was interned in Rumania on his arrival there in September, 1939. — Reuter.

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BELLS, OLD AND NEW COLLECTED

Because as a cash register salesan his car became attuned to e difference in "ring" of the inuments he sold, Raymond T. dge of Alameda, Calif., now lects unusual and historic bells a hobby.

A basement room in his home ntains bells from many periods d from many countries. Probly the oldest piece is an Engh town crier bell. The most usual feature consists of bells m the slippers of one of the st white brides in Jackson, ar- California mining centre. zarre pieces include a string of nd-filled camel bells; elephant lls from India, with tuning ks cast into them; and a Japane angler's bell which rings when e fish bites.

There are sleighbells, St. Nchols lls, and a series of bells used in rious countries and periods to ll for food. The latter range m the "come-and-get-it" steel angles used in lumber camps to dividual ceiling bells in use in ssia.

Mr. Dodge has tea bells from the United States, Germany, India, China, Japan, and Britain. These bells cover many centuries. A prized part of the collection consists of various ship dinner bells, and bells from ancient San Francisco street cars.

Mr. Dodge said his hobby has t only afforded him a great deal pleasure, but has been the ns of bringing him into con- with people from many parts the world.

'BUY BRITISH!' IGNORED BY GOVERNMENT: THOUSANDS LOST

PREFERENCE FOR imported products over British-made goods, involving a waste already of some £750,000, is alleged against the Government.

This ignoring of the "Buy British!" campaign, which has been described as "one of the most scandalous wastages of public money and shipping space during the present war," is to be raised in the House of Commons.

In the construction of Government war-time buildings a certain type of expensive fibre board from overseas is being used instead of a much cheaper, and at least as effective, board manufactured from British material.

The imported fibre types under review are the by-products of sugar-cane, so that the raw material must be imported from the United States and Canada. Such imports entail a vast amount of invaluable shipping space, and the use of naval strength to ensure their safe convoy to home ports.

Fire Danger

Higher freightage and other wartime charges are further increased by the dollar rate being against the British pound, so that the cost of such products averages 2s. 9d. per square yard.

Building trade workers also maintain that the type of material in question is highly inflammable, as well as being subject to the ravages of vermin. These factors, in their opinion, make it quite unsuitable for many of the buildings in which it is being used extensively.

The alternative British material, it is stated, is being practically ignored, although several experts claim it to be much more suitable and less expensive. It is a form of plaster-board, manufactured from gyproc quarried in this country, and therefore involving a saving in cargo space and naval convoy.

These British plaster-boards are non-inflammable and less subject to vermin pests—and they cost only 1s. 7d. per square yard as against 2s. 9d., a saving of 1s. 2d. per square yard.

Something like 15,000,000 square yards of imported material, it is estimated, have already been used by the War Office alone since the outbreak of war. Had the alternative British supply been used, estimating the price difference at only 1s. per square yard in favour of the home product, it would appear that an extra cost of fully £750,000 has fallen upon the nation.

The War Office specifies nothing but imported foreign fibre boards, the advocates of which claim that it is preferable for its insulating properties.

On the other hand, however, by a variation in construction, British plaster-board can be made with quite as good insulating properties, at a cost only slightly higher than the present 1s. 7d. per square yard.

Behind the agitation for an investigation into the matter lies an unhappy feeling in many minds that our national needs are not yet entirely dissociated from commercial and profit-making considerations.

In any event the situation outlined has caused great controversy in the building industry, particularly in Scotland, where the position has been made more acute by serious unemployment, and a thorough investigation into the matter is demanded by the Trade Unions concerned.

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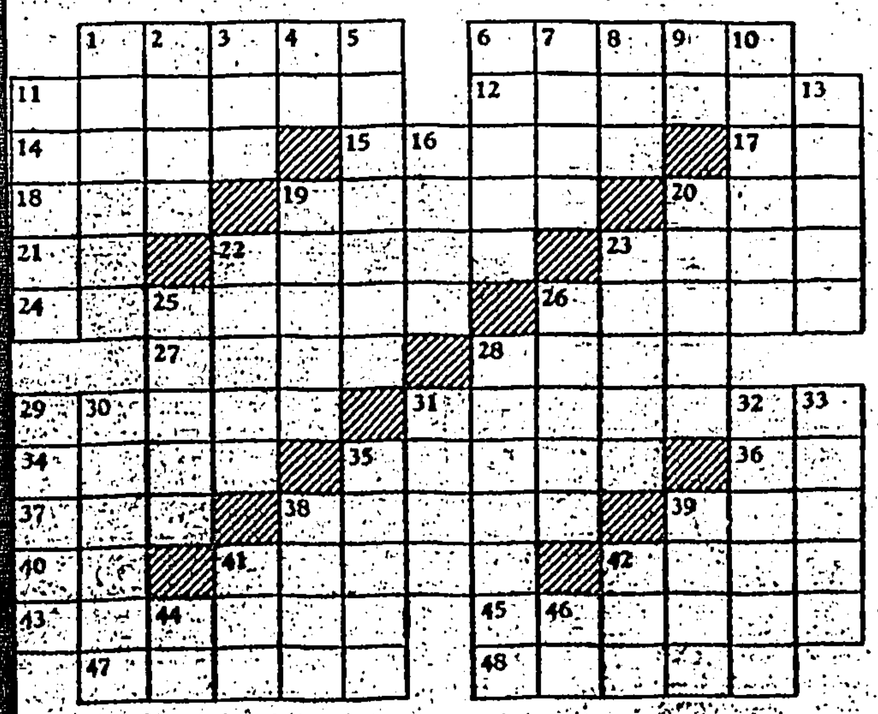

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Pronoun
Carries
Music: concluding passage
Formal orders
Portion of grain to be ground
Religious ceremony
God of love
Bed sheets
Sloped
To long
Violent rain-storm
Japanese drama
Unit
Winged
39 Shock
40 Note of scale
41 Sheep-like
42 Knowledge
43 Wore away
45 Old English bailiffs
47 Net
48 Pig-pens

VERTICAL

1 Ointment
2 Old
3 Encore!
4 Part of "to be"
5 Recipient of a legacy
6 Cords
7 Crude minerals
8 Assistance
9 Pronoun
10 Fillets worn about the hair
11 Speedy
13 To care for
16 Beverages
19 Dreamers
20 To palm off
22 Stale
23 Hag
25 Long-legged bird
26 To rub roughly
28 Click-beetles
29 Minute organism
30 Steamships
31 To extend over
32 Comes into operation
33 Lavishes fondness
35 To pass smoothly
36 To declare
39 Threw
41 Room in a harem
42 Gallalid
44 Preposition
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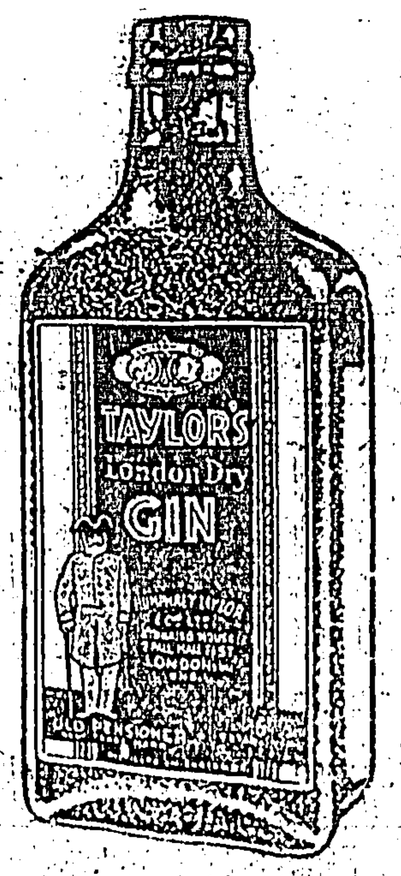

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NEWS FROM CANADA

CANADA'S 'PLANE OUTPUT NEARLY 360 A MONTH

EARLY IN 1941 Canadian aircraft plants will be turning out 360 military aeroplanes a month, according to a recent statement of Munitions and Supply Minister C. D. Howe. Already 500 of 3,800 aeroplanes on order have been delivered by Canadian plants which are making every type of 'plane from elementary trainers to twin-engined bombers.

When war broke out Canada's aircraft industry was working on trial orders for the Canadian and British Governments. The few plants in the industry, scattered from coast to coast, were just beginning to expand for a wartime industry.

Canada, which supplied close to 3,000 aeroplanes in the First World War, had only the skeleton of an aircraft industry a year ago.

Aeroplanes had always been imported from the United States and Great Britain, with only a few private 'planes, a few bush freighters and flying boats made in the Dominion under licence from American and British companies.

To-day Canada's aircraft industry has rapidly expanded. Over 17,000 persons are now engaged in the industry, according to Minister Howe. And the Canadian Government itself has gone into the aircraft manufacturing business to supply basic bomber types needed for the British Commonwealth Air Training Plan.

These 'planes Great Britain was to have supplied, but after the Flanders disaster it was felt that these would not be forthcoming and Canada set up its own publicly-owned aircraft production corporation.

Since then Britain has sent a large number of these 'planes to Canada, but production has started and the first of the 1,500 Canadian-built twin-engined Avro Anson bombers will be ready for use before the end of 1940. American engines have been imported for them.

Eight Canadian aircraft companies have in hand orders for approximately $125,000,000, for 3,800 aeroplanes, less engines. Some parts are made by other than aircraft companies, and some of the companies are only working on British Government orders. Instruments and propellers are still imported but are expected to be soon made in Canada. All engines are imported, primarily from the United States.

Various Types

Aeroplanes being made in Canada now include Fleet primary trainers, de Havilland Tiger Moth primary trainers, Fleet 60 advanced trainers, Noorduyn Norseman radio and observer trainers, North American Harvard advanced trainers, Avro Anson twin-engined bomber trainers, and for fighting Westland Lysanders, Hurricanes, Bolingbroke bombers, Hampden bombers, Stranrear flying boats.

So satisfactory has Canada's rapidly expanding aircraft industry proved that the British Government recently gave one company an order for 600 Hurricane fighters, this company having completed a trial order for these 'planes.

This is the biggest single order placed so far by the British Government with a Canadian aeroplane manufacturer.

While the 360 'planes a month which will be turned out in a few months from now is by no means the extent to which the Canadian industry can expand, it is a better showing for the industry than was thought possible earlier this year.

CUNARDERS HIT BY AERIAL BOMBS

The British Liners Georgic, 27,700 tons, and Franconia, 20,175 tons, have been severely damaged by German aerial bombs, marine authorities in New York report.

The Cunard ships, called to service as troopships and supply vessels during the Norwegian campaign are now undergoing repairs, these sources said.

MINISTER HAS LOTS OF COMPANY

JAY PIERREPONT MOFFAT, NEWLY APPOINTED UNITED STATES MINISTER TO CANADA, HAS A LOT MORE DIPLOMATIC COLLEAGUES AT OTTAWA THAN THE FIRST UNITED STATES MINISTER TO CANADA HAD IN 1927.

Formerly, most countries dealt diplomatically with Canada through the British ambassador. But the United States decided in 1927 that her best customer and northern neighbour should be served with a diplomatic representative of her own, and sent William Phillips, now Ambassador to Italy. Canada, in turn, sent Vincent Massey to be Canadian Minister at Washington. He is now High Commissioner at London.

To-day not only is the United States represented at Ottawa, but France, Belgium, Netherlands and Japan also have ministers plenipotentiary, while the British Nations have High Commissioners, similar to ministers. Great Britain, South Africa, Eire, Australia and New Zealand are thus represented at Ottawa.

Social life of this international set in Ottawa revolves in Winter around functions at Rideau Hall, residence of Canada's Governor-General, and in Summer around the Citadel on the heights of Quebec City, where Great Britain captured Canada from France in 1759, now the Governor-General's Summer residence. Some of the diplomats in normal years use the Summer season to return to their homelands, others scatter to vacation resorts.

Social amenities by the international representatives are observed by dinners at the official residences of these Ministers and High Commissioners, or at functions at Ottawa's conservative Rideau Club, at swank Chateau Laurier Hotel, at the homes of Ottawa's socially prominent in wooded suburban Rockcliffe (where the United States official residence is located), or at the smart Seigneury Club, halfway between Ottawa and Montreal, where many socially prominent Americans as well as Canadians, have their own lodges for Winter skiing and Summer hunting and fishing.

The diplomatic corps at Ottawa turns out in gold embroidered court dress for the opening of Parliament, for State dinners at Rideau Hall, highlights in the Ottawa social calendar.

The United States and France are the only countries that have built their own legations at Ottawa. The United States Legation is on Wellington Street, directly opposite the main entrance to Canada's Parliament buildings. Other countries maintain their legations in office buildings or in the official residences, while Belgium maintains its legation in Montreal, 100 miles away.

The United States Legation building is strictly an office building, housing the various departments of the United States Government at Ottawa. The staff, from the Minister down, live elsewhere.

The official residence of the Minister is one of the large homes in Ottawa, located on wooded acreage with large gardens.

CANADA'S WHEAT QUOTA

The increased quota of grain which the Canadian Wheat Board has agreed to accept from prairie province farmers will help in some measure to tide the agricultural West over the winter months.

This is the opinion expressed in Ottawa although the Government may not likely be entirely relieved of the need of arranging for advances on grain stored on farms. The Board will now be taking eight instead of five bushels of wheat per seeded acre, and will in the customary way pay the farmer on the basis of the guaranteed price of 70 cents per bushel for Number One Northern wheat, delivered at the head of the Great Lakes or Vancouver.

There is no longer any quota on deliveries of oats or barley while there has never been any restriction on flax and rye. Taking wheat alone into consideration, and it is of course the main cereal product of the West, the farmer will have from $1.5 upward additional cash immediately available for each acre seeded in wheat.

This will help to pay living expenses and pressing debts of the farmers who have been favoured by nature with the second most bountiful crop in the history of the West, but who have seen their European markets closed off by the steel shutter of war.

The Wheat Board, however says it cannot guarantee immediate storage facilities for all the wheat it agrees to take, but promises to use its utmost effort to make the space available as soon as possible.

The question still to be decided is what concession can be made to the farmers for storing the wheat and what advances any are to be made on this farm stored grain.

It is customary in harvest time in the West to carry through threshing without the imposition of liens. Debts for threshing, taxes, repairs, etc., in many cases are paid after November 1.

It has been suggested that the good offices of the provincial Governments might be brought to bear on negotiations between farmers and their creditors during the harvesting operations.

The British have in storage in Canada about 170,000,000 bushels of wheat. At this time because of the aerial battle they are importing flour from Canada rather than wheat.

NEW SHIPS BOUGHT BY U.S. NAVY

Maritime circles report the United States Navy has purchased three new cargo vessels to augment its growing fleet—of freight carriers, hospital and troops ships and other auxiliaries.

Officials of the Moore-McCormack Lines, Inc., confirmed reports that the Navy had negotiated for three of its ships, but withheld details. The three vessels were reported to be the Donald McKay, the Mormacyork and the Mormachawk.

At the same time, Great Britain was reported seeking American freighters, preferably those of around 8,000 dead-weight tons, to offset its shipping losses at the hands of the Germans.

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PACIFIC STABILITY

The recent Washington conversations between Lord Lothian, Mr. Casey, and Mr. Cordell Hull and Colonel Knox's announcements on American preparedness, are promising signs of the development of mutual interest and support in the common task of maintaining stability in the Pacific. After the momentous and far-reaching agreement made between Great Britain and the United States for the defence of the Atlantic, it was only natural that Americans should turn their thoughts to the Pacific. For the moment they can feel that the immediate task of stemming the wave of European aggression belongs to the British, now that the lines of American support have been laid down and that good progress is being made in forwarding assistance. There is evidence in the United States of growing concern over the dangerous situation in the Pacific, however, and it is only natural that, while a great effort is being launched to strengthen the forward bases of the United States, negotiations should simultaneously be carried on with other Powers interested in the building of a barrier against naked aggression. Though it is hardly to be expected that such discussions should result in a basic agreement, unless the course of events in Asia should make it imperative, the steady development of Anglo-American cooperation is revealed by the mere fact that such discussions should take place, involving as they do the possibility of Singapore, and presumably Australian ports, being placed at the disposal of the United States fleet. Only sheer desperate opportunism could lead Japan to disregard the clear warnings that have been uttered.

JAPANESE BRAND

One by one the foreign experts who educated Japan in all other aspects of modern civilisation have been superseded by Japanese; now the same process is to be repeated in religious affairs. Not only are foreign bishops to be dispensed with but foreign monetary aid as well. In addition there is a plan to combine all Japanese Christians in a Japanese Church which is to exemplify "Japanese Christianity." Such a project has been talked about for years, and it is doubtful if anything more than a loose federation of Churches could be brought into existence. But whatever happens in the field of organisation, doctrinally there will be strong attempts to produce a "Japanese Christianity." This means a greater approximation between Christianity and Shinto. The influence of the Church would be made in every way the instrument of State policy. What will happen now is uncertain, but there are those well acquainted with Japan who think that, left to themselves, the Japanese may possibly find a Church organisation and a method of evangelisation which are both in line with historic Christianity and at the same time more successful in their appeal to the Japanese mind than anything which has been imported from abroad. It must be admitted that the chances of this do not seem very great.

The Humbug From Hamburg

By Gerald Dillon

The "Old School Tie" joke still thrives and enjoys an outing every now and then from the Haw-Haws and Hee-Haws of Hamburg and Humbug. Myself, I am never very certain whether the folk who make these jests about the old school tie really know anything about old schools at all.

Speaking literally, I have, in life, met few people who actually wore their old school tie, except, possibly, in such cases as when it was a very new school tie.

The English Public School is, of course, a very human institution, and, as such, liable to many errors. Behind it all, however, is the laudable idea of providing a liberal education, which means, essentially, education for the idea of being a freeman, as opposed to the condition of being a slave. According to the Greek conception, the slave's job in life was just to work; while the freeman's job was to be the best kind of man possible. Nowadays, everybody has to work, more or less, but some people can afford to have a shot at becoming the best possible kind of man before they start working.

To produce that best possible kind of man is the object of what we might call "the old school." Naturally the old school fails in many cases to produce this result, but then it is a purely human institution dealing with ordinary human material.

The English Public Schools are no more public than a workhouse is a place where people work. Properly, they should be called English Private Schools. The misleading term ("Public") dates from the time Monastic schools prepared boys for the Church while the Public schools prepared boys for public life

These schools in England vary in size and importance from those housing about 100 boys, to those which accommodate as many as 1,100. They are mainly boarding schools, though practically all are open to day boys. Perhaps about 50, beginning with Eton and Harrow, would form the heart of the English upper and upper middle class system of education. But there would also be at least 150 other schools which would conform to the definition of "Public School." All follow, more or less, the same methods and are animated by the same aims and principles.

The cost of sending a boy as a boarder to one of these schools would range from £100 to as much as £400 a year. One or two, however, such as Christ's Hospital, provide free education to all but a few.

Many of these schools are old, but a few are quite modern—old in the sense that Eton dates back to 1440 and new in the sense that some few were started comparatively recently. Also, they are exclusive in the sense that they provide education for some 60,000 boys only, which is not a very large proportion of England's youth. It is also a fact, of course, that entrance to such schools is very often, but not exclusively, a privilege of birth and wealth. The majority of Cabinet Ministers in Britain, the great proportion of the Bench of Bishops, and something like 152 out of every 200 Civil servants earning over £1,000 a year have usually been to Public schools. On the other hand, Ramsay Macdonald, Disraeli, Asquith, Lloyd George, and others who have risen to the highest positions in Britain, were not Public school products.

Though many Public schools are centuries old, it is quite a modern idea for a well-to-do father to think of sending his son to one of them as part of his duty. In days gone by the average country squire thought the local grammar school good enough for his son, and the sons of the wealthy were educated mostly by private tutors. It is also quite a modern practice to talk of "an old Public school boy"—as if that conveyed the idea of a perfectly well recognised type belonging to a definite social caste. No greater fallacy could exist, for, not only do Public schools in England differ from each other in respect of the boys who attend them, but even boys who go to the same school come from widely different social circles and homes.

Breeding And Manners

The Public school spirit is a definite thing, though hard to define, and it offers to the world certain qualities from which we might all learn.

The chief aim is that the school should turn out men with a strong sense of public and of private duty, and with a strong inclination to public service. It also betokens a due sense of the importance of what we might call good breeding and manners We recognise the importance of breeding in horses, sheep, cows, and poultry. Surely there is nothing amiss in recognising its importance in the human sphere as well? And though a man may be "the tenth transmitter of a foolish face" he can at least redeem that condition by behaving in an agreeable fashion, though an inverted form of snobbery would have us believe that all this is "side." It is "side" when it is a mere adornment, but where habit makes it second nature, it becomes natural.

The war, perhaps, will change the Public schools. One hopes that they will become less exclusive, if only for the reason that the charge that they are exclusive is a sort of back-handed compliment. One hopes also that, because the average Public schoolman does so many things well, he will be trained in the future to do them better.

Nevertheless, the totalitarian system and the idea of a liberal education for the freeman are irreconcilable. The Nazi ideal in education is to turn out men and women with no more individuality than a tank, a machine-gun, or a high-explosive bomb, though they have special training schools for leaders. In Britain, selection for leadership is based on a much wider franchise. Any one of the hundreds of boys at Eton to-day may be the Prime Minister of to-morrow; but the Prime Minister may equally be a product of a board school at Bermondsey or the free school at Worplespoon-under-Moss.

The old school tie gibe on German lips is humbug, for, though the O.S.T. might occasionally carry a man into a position for which without the tie he would stand as much chance as a man without a shirt, the party membership in Germany (i.e., membership of the one and only party) is a similar lever with far less guarantee that the man wearing the Nazi badge will be the most suitable man for the job.

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"FIFTH COLUMN" METHODS IN THE U.S.

A LOOSE-LEAF brochure entitled "Footprints of the Trojan Horse," describing how totalitarian nations seek to undermine democracy in the United States and how other nations have been conquered by the development of disunity through propaganda, has been released in New York by the Citizenship Educational Service, Inc., of which Theodore Roosevelt is Chairman.

The three effects of totalitarianism are the destruction of private enterprise and the enslavement of labour, the destruction of civil rights, and the stamping out of Christianity, the pamphlet, generously sprinkled with cartoons, declares. It tells a story of intolerance, treachery and mad ambition on the part of the German, Russian, Italian and Japanese dictatorships.

The pamphlet declares, however, that "no man or group of men can confuse, divide and conquer America if we are united in purpose."

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LIGHTER SIDE OF AIR RAIDS

More stories of British serenity under fire emerge from the raids on that country. German propagandists cry havoc, the "airy devil" hovers in the sky—and Britain proceeds unruffled. The Home Guard who, so to speak, arrested a German airman in his stride is magnificently typical.

Here are some of the stories of the week:—

When a bomb wrecked a house in the Midlands an elderly woman climbed to the top of the debris and planted a Union Jack on the heap.

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A Mercantile Marine Officer, asked what sort of passage he had had up Channel, replied: "Terrible! . . . Those Nazi bombers were falling all around us."

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A member of the Home Guard, leaving his home to report for duty, saw a German airman landing by parachute in the street, arrested him—and carried on.

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Heard in a South-East town as the warning sounded: "I don't mind these raids, but I wish to goodness they wouldn't come at lunch-time. It's just thoughtless!"

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The Rev. P. B. Clayton, writing to "The Times" from Orkney, said that a naval wife had just had a wire—the bare message "Saved"—from her husband, who had been silent since last September. Her letter read: "I'm glad to know you're saved. Was it a bomb, a mine or the Salvation Army? In any case, we shall expect you home."

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A German airman, landing in a field, was captured by a woman and her 14-year-old son armed with his father's rifle. The German—covered by the rifle—then took tea with his captors.

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A bomb dropped in a southern river and a local angler exclaimed indignantly, "This will upset the fish for weeks."

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A small Kentish boy, whose home was demolished, came from shelter in the garden and urgently demanded his toy soldiers. Special constables found them for him.

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People near Croydon aerodrome whose houses had been damaged a few days before took another raid last week with the greatest calm. Their roofs had been covered with tarpaulin; beneath it wireless music went on cheerfully throughout the day.

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An airman who shot down a Junkers 88—his sixth success—landed in a field and at once got a motorist to drive him to the wreckage. There, villagers—including members of a wedding party who had heard the machine crash while they were in church—crowded around to cheer.

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Woman at Channel port: "The best thing about the raids is that they usually wake you up in good time to get out of bed and have your shopping finished early."

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A soldier and his bride took refuge in a public shelter after their marriage at a south-east coast town and held an informal reception there.

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Mrs. Willows, aged ninety-five, who lives in one of the bombed London streets, observed afterwards: "I feel younger than ever. Don't you think I shall live to be a hundred?"

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A placard in a public building in one of the raided suburbs of London used to read "Don't worry. It may never happen." After an attack early one Friday morning, an official made a slight alteration. The placard now runs: "Don't worry—Hitler has missed us again!"

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Aircraft workers in a South-Eastern town "keep in touch" when they take shelter. A running commentary on any air activities is broadcast to them from an observation post.

"STAY-AT-HOME WIFE" "missed all the fun."

DOCTORS AND SCIENTISTS USE HORLICKS IN HOSPITAL TESTS

RECENTLY tests were made in a great hospital on men and women who complained of always feeling tired.

It was found that these people had an excess of acid waste products in their blood during sleep.

This acid waste kept the brain and nerves 'on edge' all night even though the rest of the body was sound asleep.

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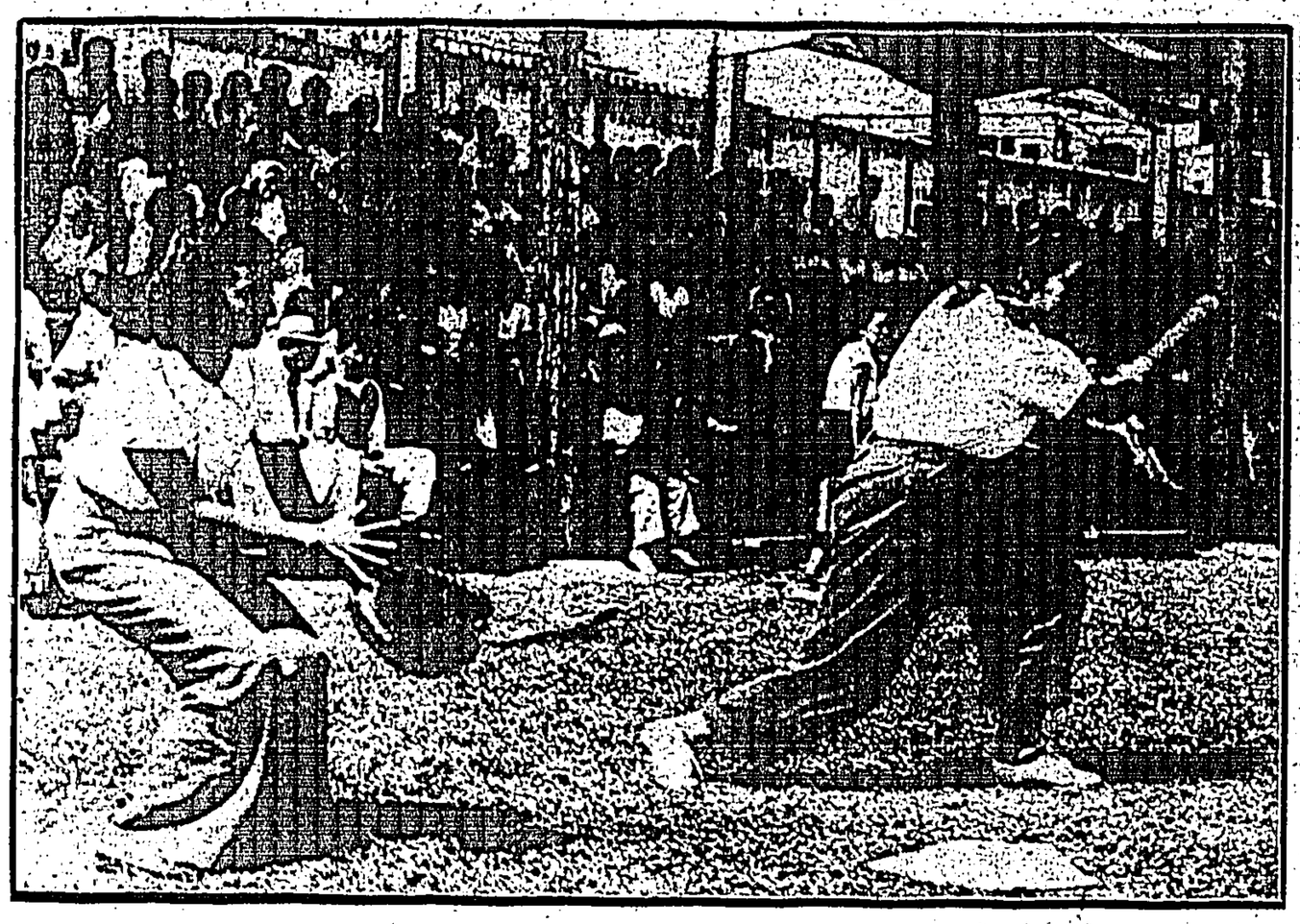
Softball Opens



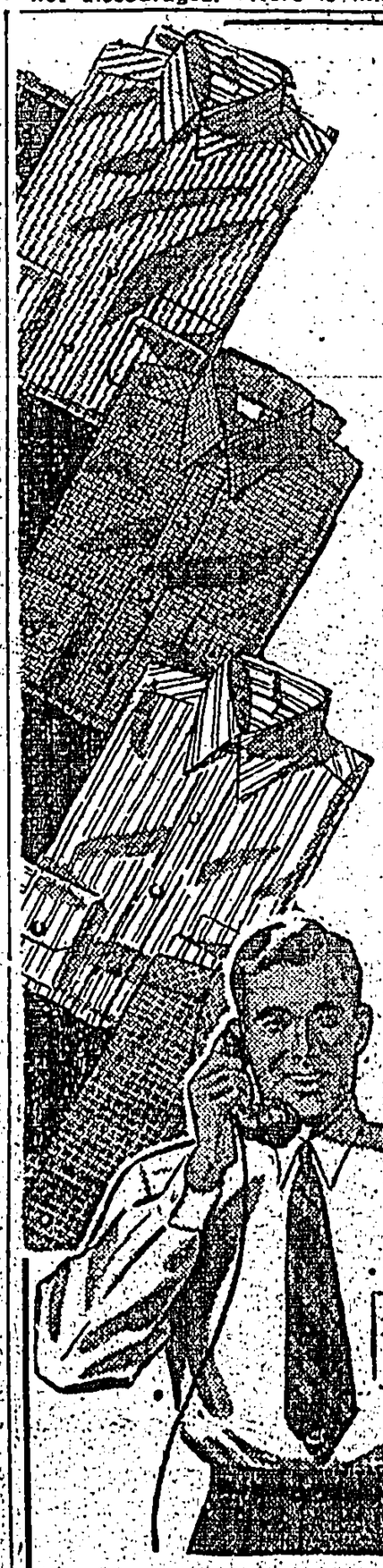
The softball season has got off the mark with more enthusiasm, if possible, than ever. Taken at the Kowloon Football Club on Sunday, this photo shows Miss H. Soares, of the Panthers, at bat.

The Little Flower Club badly beaten in their first game were not discouraged. Here is Miss Foster completing a run.

Some of the large crowd which filled the stand at the Kowloon Football Club on Sunday for the opening league games of the softball season.

Miss Marques, of the Panthers, scoring with ease in Sunday's game.

Watch is being kept on stretches of the River Severn by members of the Home Guard, the "Cotswold Sea Cadets." Photo shows a patrol. (Copyright, Fox.)



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SHORT STORY

HUSBAND AND WIFE

By Ian Sullington

The wealthy widow felt she had never been so happy in her life. Then came a shock. And no one could understand her babbling, "Oh, it's all going to start again," when she recovered.

BLANCHE knew that in a few hours she would be a widow.

She stared at herself in the mirror. The face of a hard, embittered woman looked back at her. The beauty and the youth of the girl who had married Anthony Maitland twenty years ago had gone forever. To-day no one could realise that once she had starred in the famous Cafe Rouge cabarets.

Blanche turned away. Not to be released from the bargain until now, when there were grey streaks in her hair and savage lines at the corners of her mouth and eyes . . . . Life had played a pretty cynical joke on her!

For she had been twenty-five when she married Anthony. The year after the War. She could have chosen a husband from scores of men—officers back from France, middle-aged business men who had made money . . .

But Anthony Maitland, sixty-two-year-old millionaire, had seemed the best opportunity, especially as he had a weak heart as well as his fortune.

She had seen herself one of England's richest widows before she was thirty. Jewels, clothes, cars, a flat in Town, a house in the country, a villa on the Riviera . . . everything that meant Life to her. Love could wait, she decided.

And now — only now, twenty years afterwards, Anthony Maitland was dying. Soon she would be free—but the best years of her life had been taken from her.

She was not even a young-looking forty-five. Living with Anthony, watching him hoard his feeble energies like a miser, reading Dickens to him in a voice that had had to be louder each week because of his deafness, going from hotel to hotel with him because it was the only way a man in a bath-chair could always be chasing the sun — every year in the last ten had seemed like two.

The door of Anthony's bedroom opened quietly. The doctor the hotel had got for him beckoned her.

"Your father is—"

She corrected him coldly. "My husband, you mean."

"I'm sorry — having rushed here—"

She could have slapped his face. It was the one thing that infuriated her above all. The way strangers always referred to Anthony as her father. Making her explain, making it obvious from her own words that she had married an old man for his money. Even now it had to happen. Well, it would be the last time, anyway. There was that much comfort. . . .

"He has very little time left," said the doctor. "I'm sorry, but there's nothing we can do. At his great age. . . ." He left the reference to Anthony's age tactfully unfinished.

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"Is he conscious?"

"Partly—only partly. He seems to want to talk to you: that is why I came out."

Blanche went into the bedroom.

Anthony Maitland put out a trembling hand in feeble recognition.

"I shall soon be leaving you, Blanche. I—"

"Anthony, don't try to talk — you'll only make yourself worse." She attempted a look of concern, but it died away at the piercing stare of his eyes.

"You'll soon be free now," he went on. "I know I've lived longer than was expected. But you mustn't blame me for that, Blanche. We all keep ourselves alive as long as we can."

"Anthony—"

"What does it matter? The doctor told me just now that he couldn't do anything. I made him—always believed in facing facts. Same as I faced facts when I knew you weren't doing it because you loved me. I haven't had any illusion since . . ."

He paused and struggled for breath.

"Well, it was a fair bargain, Blanche—I'm not grumbling. You were a very beautiful woman then, my dear. So I'm keeping my side of it . . . I've left you nearly everything. Just a few charities, that's all.

"Mind you, it isn't what it was . . . lost a lot in the last ten years. But you'll get about four hundred thousand: I haven't imposed any conditions— reckon you've earned it. I know it hasn't been easy for you—spending your life with a husband everyone takes to be your father. I forgive you for all your moods and bad tempers—I shouldn't have lived so long."

Anthony Maitland's head slipped back on the pillow, as if he had decided to fall asleep and meet the end quietly.

Blanche went to the door and called the doctor.

"A few hours," whispered the doctor. "He can't last longer than that. If you'd like to go out in the grounds for some fresh air, I can make sure that you're sent for, Mrs. Maitland."

"I don't think it will be necessary to—er—send for me," she replied. "We—we have said all we need say to each other. And I dislike painful scenes."

"As you wish. I'll only send for you should he ask again."

"I don't think he will," she murmured.

She slipped on her fur coat and went down to the hotel garden. But as soon as she passed through the sun-lounge, she knew she would not be left alone as she wished.

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They had arrived at the hotel only the night before, but everyone knew Anthony was seriously ill—he had collapsed so publicly in the restaurant. If only he had been taken ill in their suite no one would have known about it. She bit her lip as she saw two or three women, oozing with sympathy and curiosity, leave their chairs and come towards her.

She didn't want to talk to people. She wanted to be alone—to think—to plan out some sort of future. . . .

The first of the sympathisers descended on her.

"Oh, my dear, please don't think I'm butting in, but is there anything I can do? Such bad luck for you as soon as you arrive! Is your poor father any better?"

Blanche wanted to scream. Was she never to be released from the endless persecution of that tactless assumption?

She said frigidly, "My father has been dead for ten years."

The woman flushed nervously. "Oh, but I—you see, I—"

"It was my husband who was taken ill this morning."

"But I'm so sorry—I thought—"

"Please don't apologise. An awkward remark is always made worse by explanations, I think. If you wish to avoid awkward remarks it is best not to speak to people you do not know."

Blanche walked on. At any rate she had relieved her feelings. There was at times a real pleasure in downright rudeness. It was pleasant now to hear the woman behind her gasping with indignation.

She knew what would happen. In a few minutes the wretched creature would be rushing all over the hotel and hissing it at everyone—"He isn't her father—he's her husband!"

It had been happening at every new hotel they had stayed at in the last ten years. It had happened on their honeymoon — the very first morning.

Well, it wouldn't — it couldn't —happen much more. Soon Anthony would be forgotten by everybody, herself included. She would spend her life in future in places where he had never even been seen. Where she could feel utterly free—where she could make up for all the years she had wasted . . .

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An hour later she returned to their suite.

She saw at once from the doctor's face that she was now a widow.—She made no pretence of grief. It would have been impossible, anyway. For twenty years she had dreamt of this moment and now, even though it had come ironically late, a feeling of happiness was surging through her.

For six months after Anthony's death she made no definite plans. She simply relaxed, gradually learning what it meant to be free once more.

She began to feel young again. The patches of grey were still in her hair, the lines were still gathered round her eyes and mouth—but she could feel a renewed vitality stirring within her.

Why, because she was forty-five, should life be over for her? Better to be forty-five with a fortune of four hundred thousand than thirty with nothing.

She had her hair dyed. She went to a famous surgeon in Vienna and had the lines on her face removed. She dieted until she was almost slim again.

Anthony had taken the best years of her life. But his money could bring them back again.

Full of confidence, Blanche faced life once more—as a widow of thirty!

She went on cruises, she went to the gay, lively sort of hotels which Anthony had always avoided. Other women might know she was older than she pretended—but she was not interested in the opinions of women. It was love and romance that her heart ached for, not bridge and gossip.

And she made no secret of her fortune. Why should she? It was one of her assets. And she had certainly earned it.

She was proposed to by a retired colonel from India. An American salesman offered to go to Reno and dispose of his present wife if only she would wait for him. A Russian count threatened to commit suicide if she didn't elope with him.

But they all brought back memories of Anthony to her. The colonel suffered from gout, the salesman was going bald, and the count's joints creaked with rheumatism.

It was not till she met Alec Stacey that she stopped travelling. He was young, handsome and dashing. And he made love to her in a way that erased every year since the days of the Cafe Rouge.

She felt she had never been so happy in her life—and perhaps she hadn't. Only the thought that she was so much older than he was worried her.

But he didn't seem to mind that. He was constantly telling her how girls always bored him.

"I have nothing to offer you," he declared, "but love like mine cannot be held back. You are the most beautiful woman I have ever seen I have friends in New York—they could get me a job—"

He was magnificently surprised when she mentioned that she had more than enough money for two people to live on.

He sighed exquisitely and turned away. "But although it is now impossible, I shall never forget you."

"But don't be so absurd. Why impossible?"

"You would always think that I had married you for your money —other people would think so.—"

He was superbly obstinate before he eventually allowed himself to be persuaded.

They were married a week later. They arrived late in the evening at the hotel they had picked for the honeymoon.

Alec went down to dinner a few minutes before she was ready.

But she could not find him when she herself went down.

A kindly-looking woman sitting in a chair got up and walked towards her.

"I think your son's just gone out to get a paper," she said.

Blanche fainted.

When she came to she kept on repeating, "Oh, it's all going to start again!" But nobody knew what she meant.

Who Is Fitter For The Fight?

Health Standards Of Britain And Germany Examined

—By—
David J. Murphy

Of all the propaganda boasts that have been blared out from German sources in the last few years, none has been more insistent than the claim that Nazism brought new health and rejuvenation to the German people.

While the decadent British are drifting to moral and physical decay, Germany has been restored to virility and power. At least, that's what Dr. Goebbels says — and there are many people who believe him.

Propaganda boasts, however, are one thing, and facts are another. The figures and statistics don't tell the Goebbels story. Indeed, the picture they paint is just the opposite.

The last year for which complete and reliable statistics are available is 1937, and the first comparable figures are extremely interesting. German propagandists have excelled themselves in their claims for "living space"—yet there are twice as many people in every square mile of England and Wales as there are in Germany.

In 1937, the density of population figure for Germany was 363 persons per sq. mile—but 703 per sq. mile in England and Wales.

This comparison is extremely important in its bearing on national health, for over-crowding of population is one of the most fertile causes of disease and, on the face of it, the health and other vital statistics for England and Wales ought to make a poor showing compared with the new and healthy Reich of the Nazis. But what are the facts?

The Death Rate Rises

Take the death rate first. The death rate in England and Wales during 1937 was 12.4 per 1,000 of population, while in Germany, with only half the density of population, the figure was practically the same—11.7 per 1,000 of population.

And while the death rate for England and Wales has been falling steadily over a long period of years, the German figure, according to Dr. Martin Gumpert—formerly head of the Berlin City Dispensary for Deformity Diseases and now a refugee in America — is 80,000 higher compared with the year before the Nazis came into power.

As soon as the Nazis were firmly entrenched in Germany, a nation-wide campaign was begun to increase the number of marriages, every kind of inducement being offered to the country's marriageable men and women. Yet, in 1937, there was no appreciable difference between the marriage rates of Germany and England and Wales. The German marriage rate was 18.2 per 1,000 of population, while the figure for England and Wales was 17.4.

The Nazis certainly succeeded in obtaining a higher birth rate—18.8 per 1,000 of population compared with 14.9 for England and Wales. But it is significant that the German total of illegitimate births should be more than twice the comparable figure for England and Wales, 9 per cent. against 4 per cent.

Suicides Soaring

An even grimmer commentary on living conditions in the two countries is provided by the suicide statistics. Even by 1935, when the strain on Germans was not nearly as severe as it is today, the German suicide rate was double that of England and Wales.

Over the four-year period, 1931–5, the German rate was 28.5 per 100,000 of population, while in England and Wales, during the four-year period 1932–6, the rate was 13.5.

Moreover, there is a mass of reliable evidence to prove that, in the last few years, the German suicide rate has soared until, according to Dr. Gumpert, there are almost as many suicides in Germany to-day as there are in the whole of the remainder of Europe.

Thanks to Goering's "Guns or butter" campaign, infantile sickness in Germany has reached alarming proportions. Most of the fat content of milk in now separated and used for war purposes. As a result, rickets and other malnutrition diseases are widely prevalent—while in England and Wales they have practically disappeared.

In 1937, 72 persons in every 100,000 of the population of England and Wales died of tuberculosis. The German figure for the same year was 73. But since then it has far outstripped the English rate. According to figures extracted from official Nazi publications, there are now more than 1,500,000 cases of tuberculosis in Germany.

Dirt And Disease

Shortage of soap and other aids to personal cleanliness have brought about a dangerous increase in diseases where dirt is a prime factor, especially when there is the added danger from bad or tainted food.

In England and Wales, during 1937, there was not one death from either smallpox or cholera, while the typhoid death rate was 5 per million of population. But in Germany, according to Dr. Gumpert, the Nazi regime has brought with it a 300 per cent. increase in these diseases.

All these facts are fully borne out by the ceaseless importation of workers from those countries which have fallen victims to German conquest, and the cancellation, in March of this year, of the pre-Nazi legislation which forbade the employment of young children.

Replacing Broken Workers

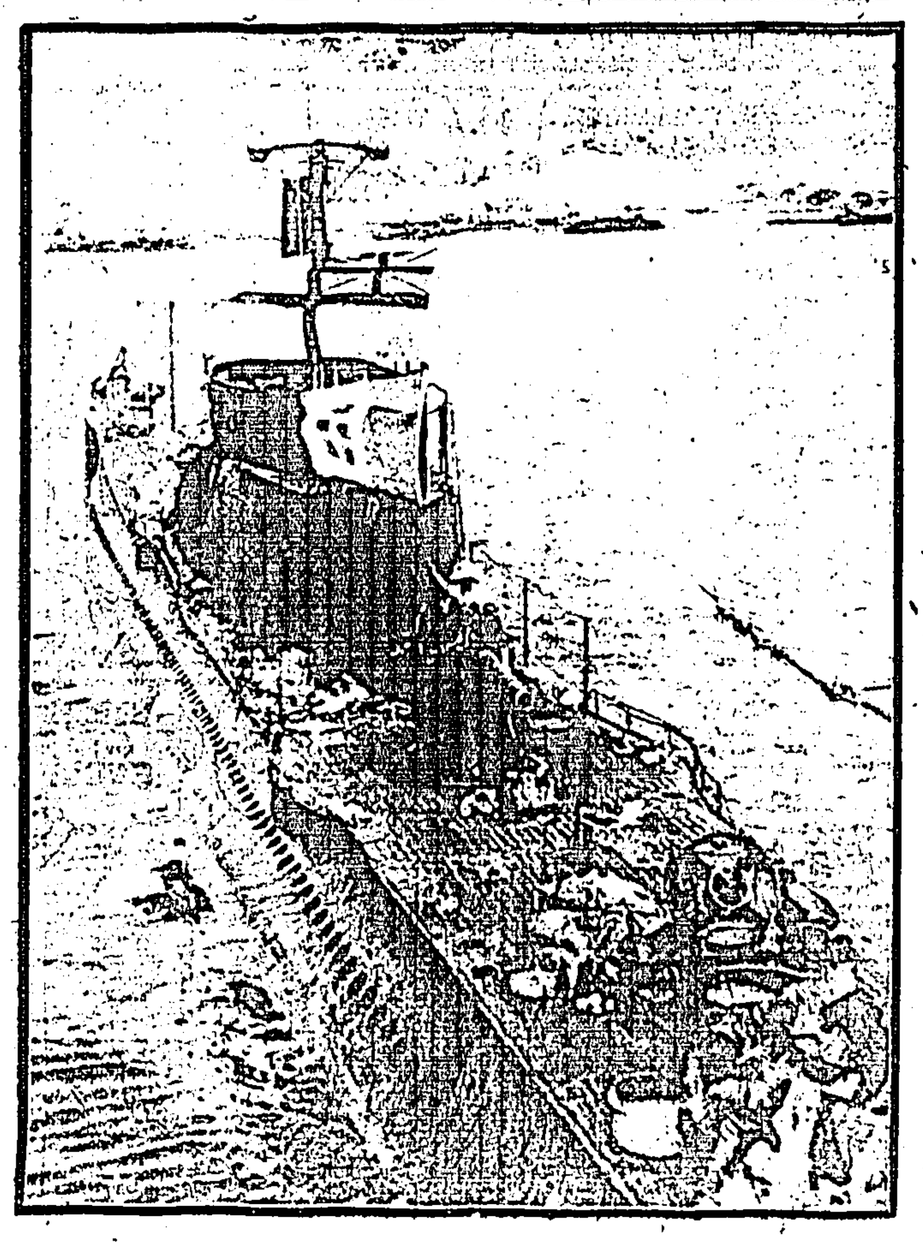
More than 500,000 Poles and Czechs have been conscripted for forced labour in Germany — to make good the loss of working hours caused by the breakdown in health of so many German workers.

The Nazi decree making the employment of young persons permissible had as its object the conscription of youth for work in mines, as a result of heavy falls in output due to ill-health among miners

It would, however, be highly dangerous to imagine that the health factor alone could justify a slackening in the British war effort. On the contrary, the workers of Britain have a tremendous task ahead of them. They are competing not only with the larger army of German workers, but with the millions of able-bodied men and women who are liable to instant labour conscription in German factories and workshops.

The task of equalling and outstripping German war production is probably the grimmest that the free workers of Britain have ever had to face.

But they will face it cheerfully, in the knowledge that they will have ample food, the best of medical facilities and, that they are fitter for the fight than their opponents.



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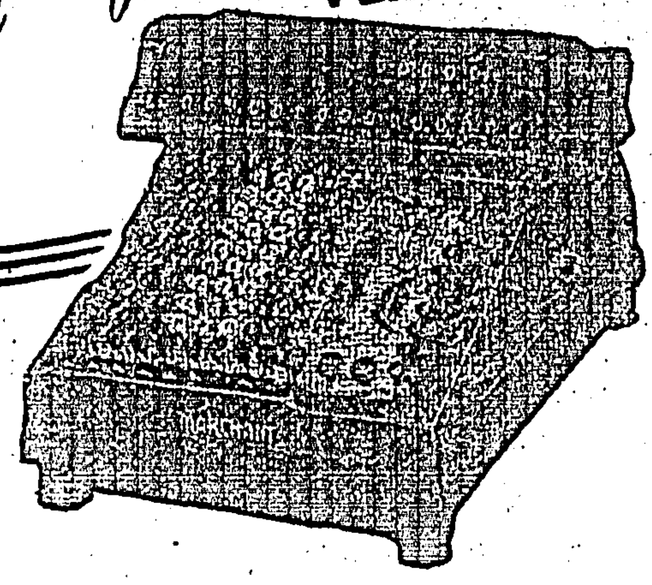

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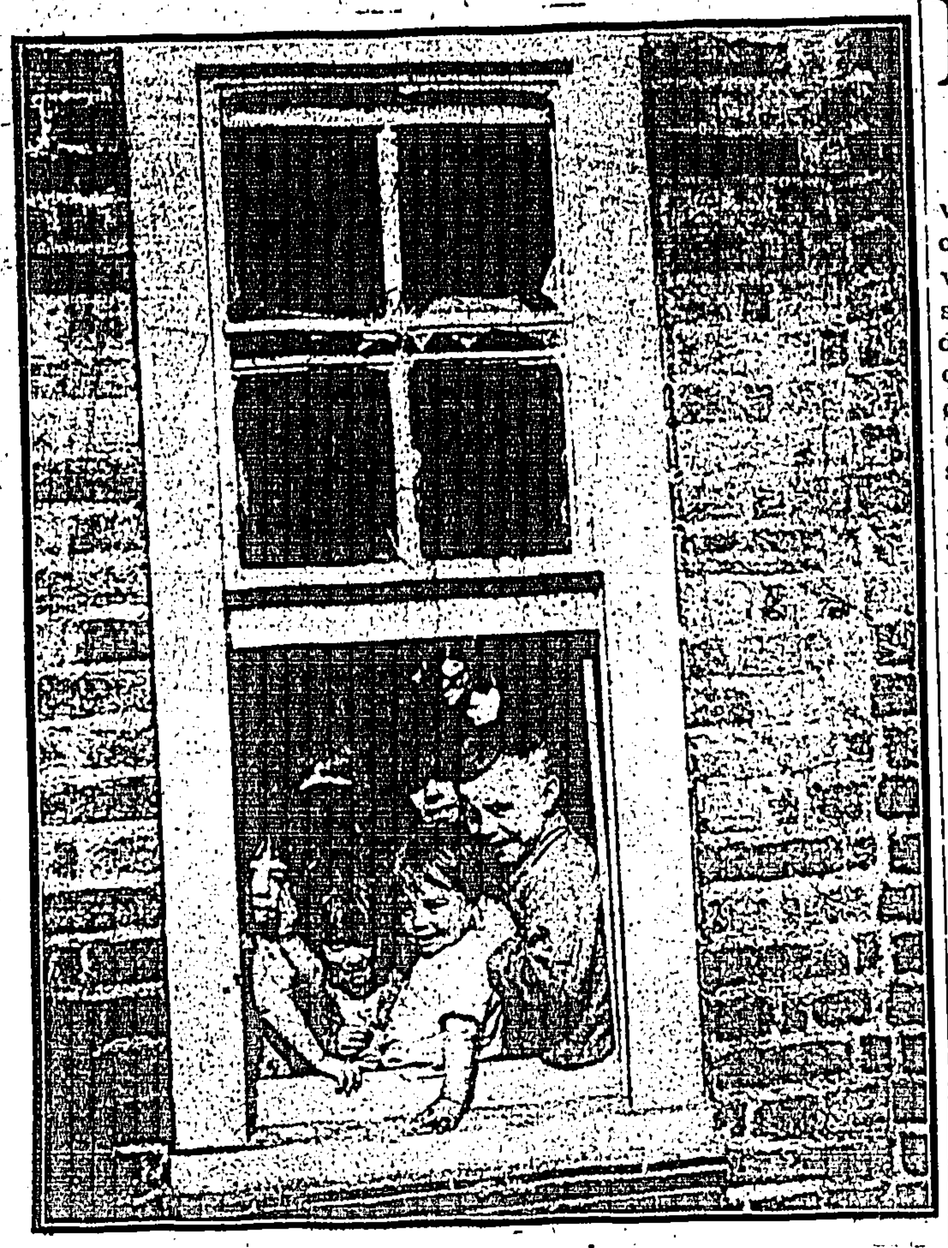
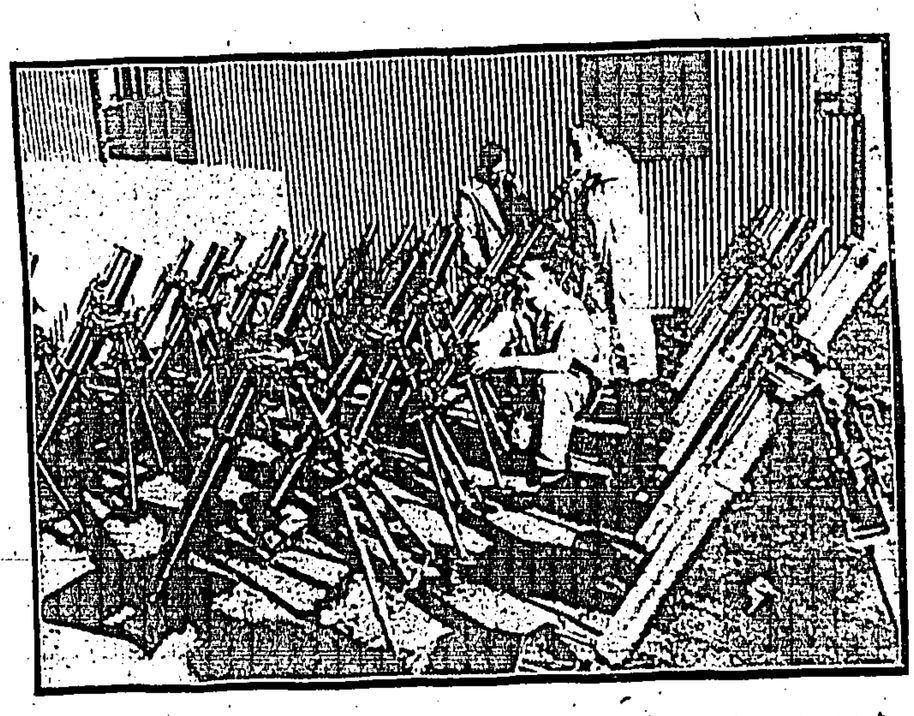
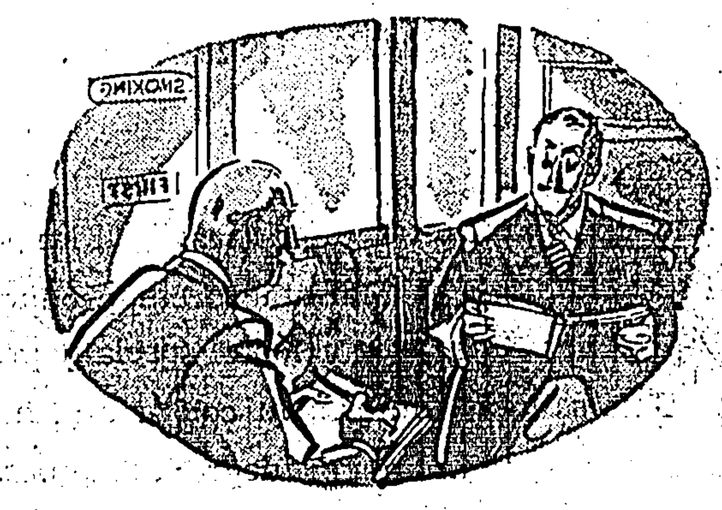


An enemy bomb fell on a block of working class flats during an air raid on the London area, but there were few casualties. Photo shows a family of children who were in the flats, but were unhurt, looking through their damaged bedroom window.



Assembling a batch of South African made mortars, a part the Union is playing in the British Empire's war effort.



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"I beg your pardon, Sir. I'm terribly sorry. Fact is, I've a most appalling headache, and the cool air does it good. I attended a most enjoyable party last night, and I'm feeling much the worse for it."

"My dear fellow, why didn't you say so at first? Trouble is, it's so long since I've had a hangover myself, I've almost forgotten the symptoms. Was there no Rose's Lime Juice in your corner of the Shires?"

"Afraid I don't follow you."

"Rose's Lime Juice, I said. Cancels hangovers in advance. You either mix it with gin, or swallow a stiff glass solo before bed. Why, man, it's smoothed the paths of thousands."

"You're telling me that Rose's fills this long-felt want?"

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"Then, Sir, I am deeply indebted to you. Here is my card. I trust that we shall see more of each other. Much more. Are you by any chance free to dine tonight? Wonderful how these chance encounters change the course of one's whole life."

How British Air Pilots Are Chosen

By A Medical Correspondent

The medical examination of a would-be air pilot is a very thorough affair and to the layman it would seem surprising that a reasonable proportion of the candidates successfully pass the scrutiny of the five members of the Medical Board. This, however, is the case, despite the fact that the standard required in the British Air Force is still that of pre-war years and has not been lowered because of the war.

Visual troubles, perhaps, cause the largest proportion of failures, and the tests for colour blindness by means of the lantern exhibition of coloured discs reveal that some five per cent. of the men are not normal in this respect. Visual acuity is judged by standard test types read by each eye separately without glasses at twenty feet.

The detection of latent squint in a candidate is of even greater importance than the discovery of a moderate error of refraction. The ability of a pilot to land aircraft successfully depends to a great extent on the presence of normal ocular muscle balance.

There are two classes of licence for civil aviators, "A" and "B". The former class is essentially amateur and the medical standards are lower than those for the "B" licence pilot, who alone is entitled to carry passengers and goods for hire or reward, and who requires the same type of medical examination as the Service pilot.

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Stress of Flying

There are certain minor differences in the standards of civil and Royal Air Force pilots and these are mainly concerned with the relative significance of various disabilities which have occurred in the candidate's life. The essential object, of course, is the selection of pilots capable of withstanding the stress of flying on active service, or a life of arduous civil flying. Apart from the elimination of candidates who fail to conform to the standards of sight and hearing, or who show signs of organic disease of a gross or potentially disabling nature, it is necessary to decide whether a candidate possesses a degree of mental and physical stamina compatible with the safe handling of aircraft under any conditions for prolonged periods in peace or war.

To form an opinion on these points, evidence as to the soundness of the stock from which the candidate comes, the illnesses from which he has suffered, the sports in which he is proficient or excels, the stresses to which he has been exposed and the manner in which they have been borne are of great importance.

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Complete Harmony

Information obtained by clinical examination is supplemented by the candidate's responses to the tests for physical efficiency. This implies a state in which the various systems of the body are primarily intact and are so co-ordinated as to work together in complete harmony, even under conditions of prolonged and severe mental or physical stress.

There should also be a high degree of resistance to disease and a rapid recovery rate. Physical efficiency is not regarded as consisting only of athletic prowess.

Selection of candidates is based on the following considerations —the personal and family history of the candidate in relation to nervous stability, respiratory and circulatory efficiency and past illnesses, a general medical and surgical examination, including tests for physical efficiency, and eye, ear, nose and throat examinations. A careful assessment of the factors elicited under these heads is then made.

Definite causes for rejection include severe nervous breakdown, migraine accompanied by visual disturbance, fits or fainting attacks suggestive of epilepsy, pulmonary tuberculosis, persistent asthma, and a definite history of gastric or duodenal ulcer, eye, ear, nose and throat trouble.

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Physiological Attributes

The general medical and surgical examination is carried out, not only to exclude the presence of defects or disease, but also to determine that the candidate is possessed of physiological attributes likely to render him an efficient pilot. For this reason there are incorporated tests for physical efficiency not usually carried out in routine medical examinations.

These involve the use of the U-tube manometer with about two feet of rubber pressure tubing connected to a rubber covered glass mouth-piece. Pulse response tests are taken with the candidate sitting quietly, changing posture and during exercise. Blood pressure is also estimated by the use of the sphygmomanometer.

Breath-holding capacity is then gauged—the minimum time for the normal fit young adult being one minute. Candidates unable to hold their breath for more than fifty seconds are liable to suffer from oxygen want at high altitudes owing to respiratory inefficiency.

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Nervous System

The central nervous system is also considered. The general response of the whole body accompanying reflexes is recorded and tremors are detected whilst the candidate stands with eye-lids closed and arms outstretched at shoulder level. The almost invisibly fine tremor, usually associated with some degree of hyperthyroidism, is detected by holding the candidate's outstretched fingers loosely between the hands.

Self-balancing tests follow and as a check on endurance, the candidate blows mercury in a U-tube to a height of forty millimetres and keeps it at that level as long as possible. Unsteadiness in the balancing tests indicates defective higher nervous control.

There is also an expiratory force test in which the candidate blows the mercury steadily as high as possible.

Particular attention is paid to leg-length and the men with leg-length of 39 inches, combined with a height of 64 inches, are accepted for piloting duties. If the leg length or height is less a practical test in a service aircraft is given to ascertain whether the man has an unobstructed view from the cockpit and the ability to manipulate the rudder bar and brakes. For observer duties candidates with a height of 62 inches may be accepted.

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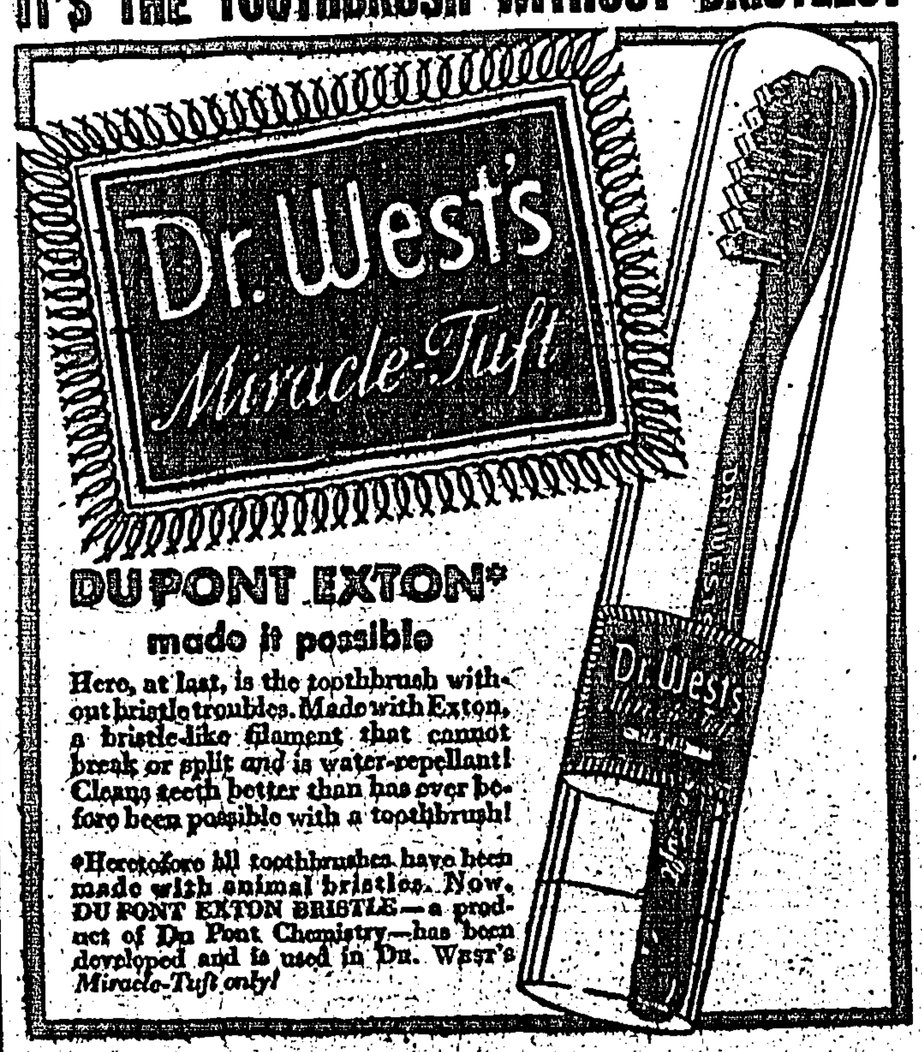

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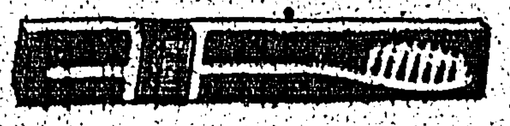

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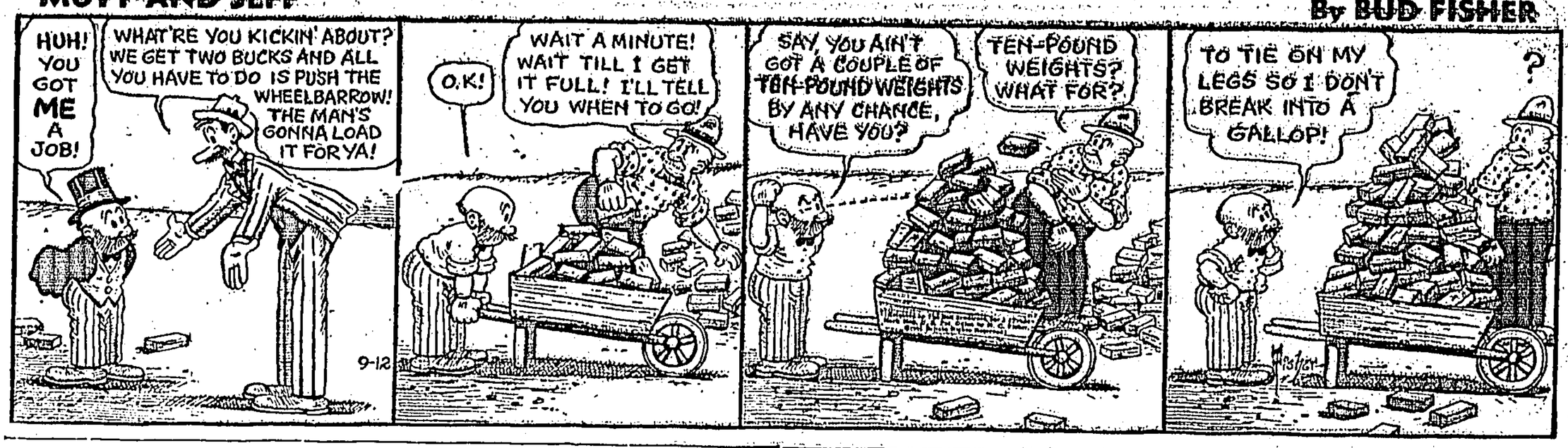

A PAGE FOR WOMEN

Tanned To A Turn

HOW does your skin take to the sun—painfully, slowly or easily? It all depends, of course, on the type and texture of your complexion, and there are three types.

There's the fair, fine, delicate skin that flushes scarlet at the first touch of the sun, the medium skin that goes through a stage of redness and discomfort before it turns a warm peach, and the dark skin that tans easily, growing darker and smoother and more chocolate with every hour in the sun

Each of these three types needs a different tan treatment and a different make-up.

If You Are Fair

You have a choice of two alternatives. Either you stay milk-and-roses, or you take a lot of care and trouble and very gradually acquire a pale gold skin.

My advice to you is to stay fair and make capital out of it. Brown skin doesn't suit you as much as pink and white, and tanning will coarsen its exquisite texture. So make a point of staying cool and serene and fair as a white rose amid all the warm brown skins around you.

It means, of course, that you'll have to provide yourself with a good sunproof cream or liquid and use it frequently whenever you're going to be in the sun, and always under your powder.

Ration Your Sun

It means you'll have to be lavish with your cooling skin cream, or tannic acid jelly, at night after you've been sunning, and that you'll have to ration your sun to not more than a couple of hours a day.

But, in spite of all your precautions, you'll freckle, of course; fair skins do that whether they see the sun or not. But I like freckles, and if I were you I'd find out definitely first whether other people don't like them, too, before you decide to get rid of them. And, if you decide they must go, bleach them away with a freckle cream.

Choose your make-up to fit into the cool ivory picture, nourishing white milk foundation under clear pale cameo powder, pastel pinks, and rose tints like the new natural rose, pastel or rose pink for your lips and cheeks, with rosy tips for your nails.

If You Are Medium

If you choose the second alternative, because you like to tan or because you're in an open-air job and can't be a lily, then do take the trouble to do it slowly. Get yourself a good protective cream that will let you tan and won't let you burn and keep it coated over your face and arms. Choose a pale peach gold for your powder and put a gay orange pink on your lips.

Your skin is the type that can be nursed into a nice warm tan. If you're careful you can cut out the ugly red in between stage by using a good suntan cream and get your tan all the quicker.

The best preparation for you is a suntan cream that's suntan colour—a cool bronze cream specially created for the tropics. Smooth it all over your face and limbs before you go into the sun, and it will cut out all the burning rays, at the same time giving your skin a warm suntanned look

Choose a peach tan powder to go over it to emphasise the brownness and touch your lips and cheeks with one of those new clear velvet reds like the heart of a red rose.

Later, when you're really brown, deepen your powder to a summer tan shade and lighten your lipstick to the gay vivid pink of a pink geranium. It's one of the most becoming make-ups in the world. And film the faintest touch of greeny blue shadow on your lids.

If You Are Dark

You're the lucky person who after a struggle against greasy skin comes into your own in the sun. With the help of a bronze suntan oil or liquid for your limbs and back, you can brown evenly and smoothly and look lovely while you're doing it.

When you want a matt make-up use a bronze suntan foundation with a powdering of deep brown suntan powder, and for rouge and lipstick one of those warm red-browns, the colour of lovely old brick wall in the sun. And for fun, for evenings, or for when you wear soft colours, get yourself one of those tremendously gay, bright orange lipsticks. They look heavenly against a glowing brown skin!

Care Of The Feet

All three types of beauty need to take as particular care of the feet as of the face. There is no reason why feet should not appear as attractive as possible, and, while perfect feet are rare these days, pedicure can help keep feet free from disfigurments and the toenails carefully cut.

Before any foot treatment is undertaken, first cleanse the feet with a small piece of cottonwool dampened with methylated spirit. Special attention must be given to the skin between the toes, and this is best accomplished by wrapping a small piece of cottonwool around an orange stick, dipping it in the spirit, and then thoroughly working it in between the toes. This will harden the skin, prevent soreness, and thus help the feet towards greater attractiveness.

File And Emery Board

After the feet have been thoroughly treated in this manner, separate the toes with small pieces of cottonwool. This will make it easier to give correct pedicure, and you will find that it is better to treat one foot at a time. Shape the nails, using a fairly large file. Do not cut too close into the corners, and keep the shape as nearly straight across as is possible. In this manner you will avoid ingrowing toe-nails As the nail is usually rather hard and horny, you should never attempt to cut the nails with scissors, as this will often make them break and crack.

After the nails have been filed into a good shape, smooth them down with an emery board and then cleanse them. Dip an orange stick in soapy water and then in peroxide, and thoroughly cleanse with this liquid, then with your cuticle remover, take away any roughness which is around the base or the side of the nail, and then wash each nail carefully with soapy water. Rinse away all lather and dry thoroughly.

When you have shaped the nails and cuticles, and cleansed the skin, make the underneath part of the nail very white with nail white, then buffer the upper part of the nail so that you will have a good surface for applying nail varnish if you use varnish.

Employees of a well-known store in Oxford Street, London, are now busy fruit-picking in Worcestershire. Photo shows that Miss Al Royce, a saleswoman, has acquired the art of basket carrying. (Copyright, Fox).

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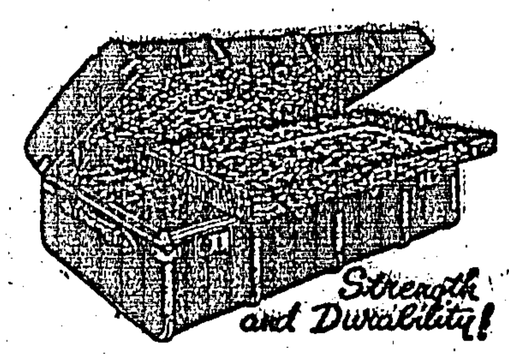

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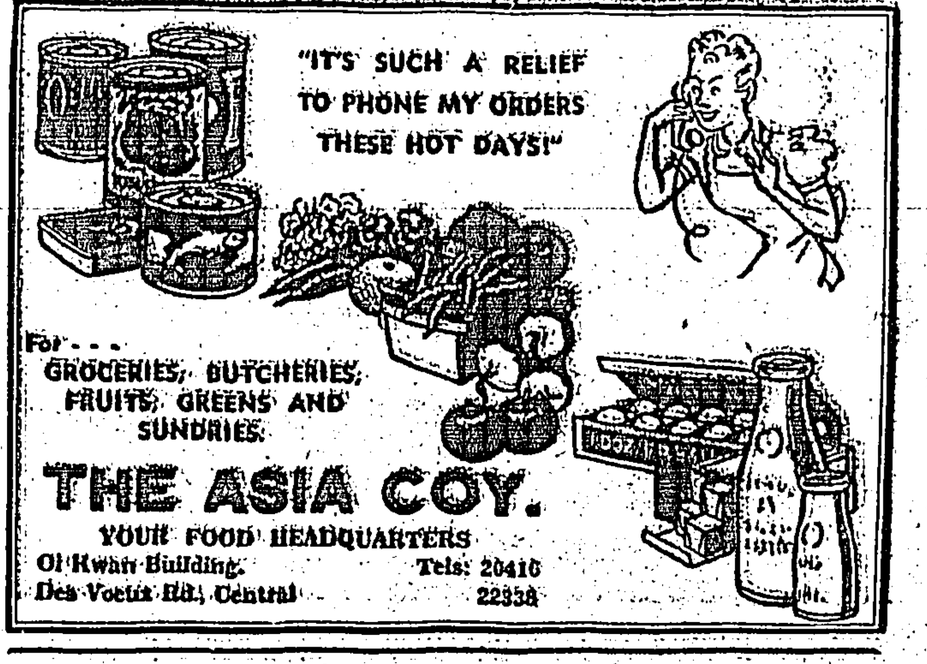

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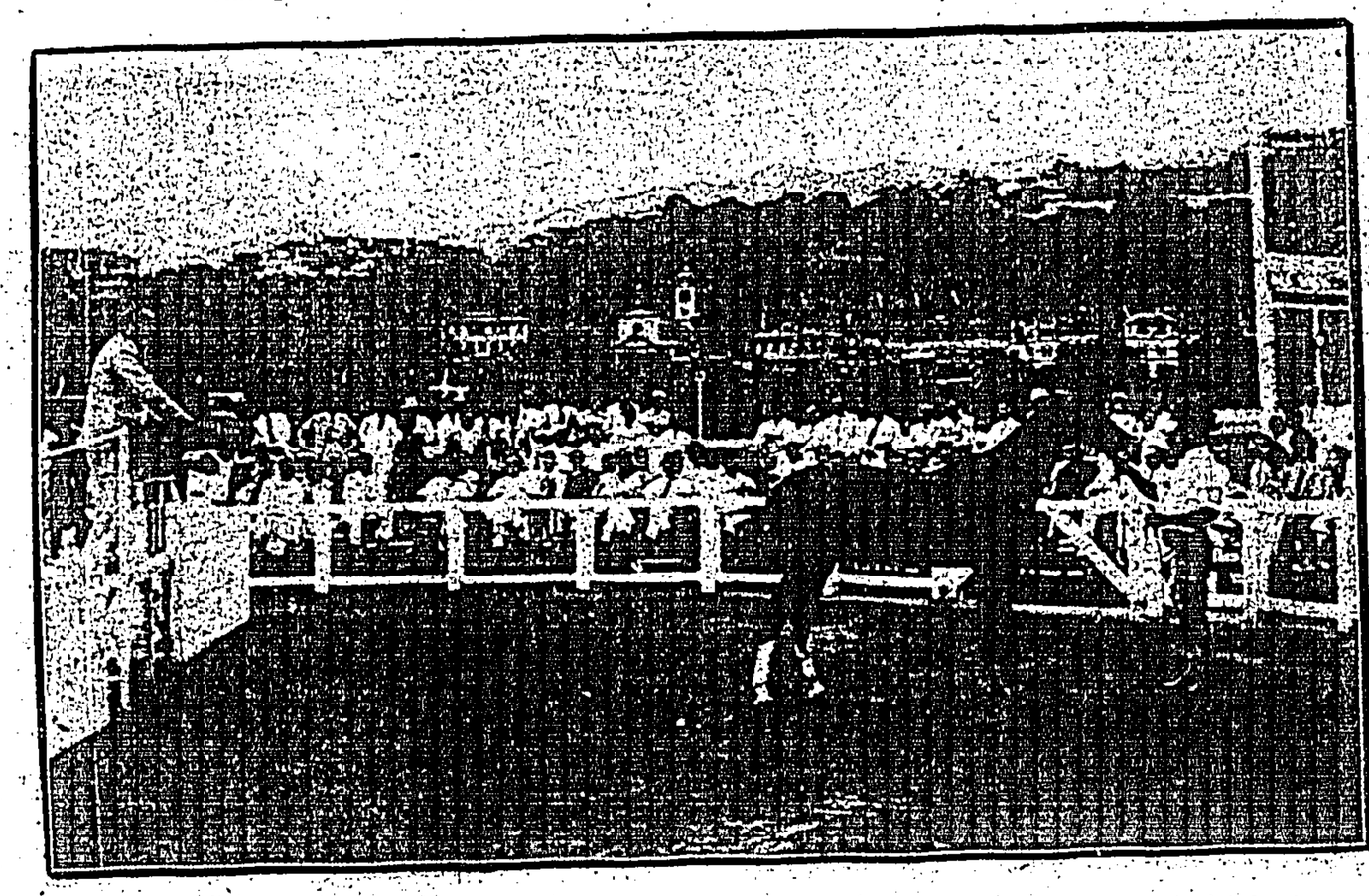
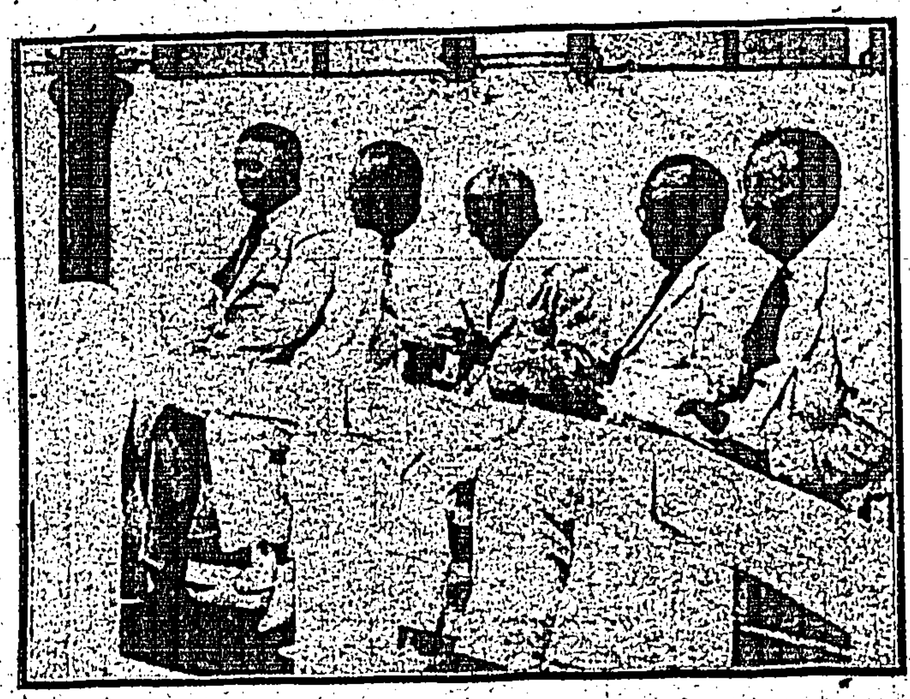
Racegoers had plenty of excitement at the extra race meeting last Saturday, when the big sweep turned in a first prize of over $168,000 and brought over $61,000 for war funds. This picture taken at the finish of the Moore Park Handicap, shows Vanity Fair (Ip Kui-ying) fighting out the lead. Vanity Fair won from Ascot Day, but was disqualified for bumping and boring.





The first auction of Australian ponies to be held in Hong Kong was an unqualified success, and high prices were bid for many of the ponies on offer. Mr. T. E. Pearce is shown auctioning off a good looker.

(Right).—Mr. H. F. Phillips at Happy Valley on Sunday when the contest with Kowloon Golf Club resulted in a narrow win for the Valleyites.

(Left)—A group, including Col. H. B. L. Dowbiggin at the sale of Australian griffins.

Little Londoners rather enjoy the air-raid alarms, as it gives them an opportunity to read their comic-papers etc., during school hours. Here is a scene in the school shelter at the Hugh Myddleton School, Clerkenwell. (Copyright, Fox.)

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DEFENCE OF THE UNITED STATES; KEY POINTS

The key position in the scheme of national defence of the United States is the Panama Canal. For their shores face two oceans, in either of which the American fleet may be needed in the event of war; and their Atlantic seaboard was 12,000 miles from their Pacific coast before the piercing of the isthmus reduced the distance to under 5,000, with an oasis of United States territory on the way in the Canal itself.

In American eyes that reduction of 7,000 miles makes all the difference to the sufficiency of the strength of the United States Navy.

The construction of an isthmian canal, on United States territory, removed from the mind of the American Naval Command the nightmare of being caught, in war, with the fleet in the wrong ocean.

But if the existence of the Canal nearly doubles the effective strength of the fleet, it at the same time constitutes a vulnerable point. The capture or sabotage of the Canal would at a blow almost halve the effective strength of the fleet—it might, indeed, put the fleet out of effective action altogether for weeks if the dispositions of the enemy were sufficiently skilful. Thus the defence for the Canal is a matter of the highest concern to the High Command of the United States of America.

The Caribbean

The Canal Zone is consequently one of the most heavily fortified areas in the world. But at the same time the United States feel it to be isolated. It is 1,000 miles from the nearest United States territory on the Atlantic side and a good deal more on the Pacific side.

Its defence would be felt to be much more secure, in the face of a possible aggressor from the Atlantic, if the United States of America were in full control of the Caribbean and all the approaches to the Canal through that sea.

The public mention that has been made of the Anglo-American discussions, on the subject of the possible lease of sites on British soil for use as defence bases by the United States, has not been specific regarding the actual sites considered.

From Colon to Jamaica is no more than 550 miles; but as it is no more than 150 miles further to Guantanamo in Cuba, of which the United States Navy already has the use as a base, there seems to be no pressing need in that vicinity.

Trinidad

In the north-east of the Caribbean the United States already hold Porto-Rico and the American (late Danish) islands of the Virgin group, 1,000 miles from Colon. But at the south-west of the Caribbean, 1,225 miles from Colon and on the route to the South Atlantic, lies the British island of Trinidad, an invaluable outpost for the Power that would control the sea.

The use of a naval base there—and even more of an air base—would greatly simplify the strategic problems of the United States if they were faced with war against an Atlantic or a European Power.

For it would enable the United States Navy to operate both ships and naval air forces with confidence in any part of the Caribbean Sea, and to maintain naval and air forces so placed in that area as to ensure against the unheralded incursion of any hostile naval force, and enable them to deal promptly with any sporadic raider.

The possession — whether by freehold or leasehold—of out-lying bases, indeed, is needed to enable sea forces to exert their power throughout their radius of action.

The Royal Navy

The British Navy, for instance, operates freely throughout the North Atlantic because it has at its disposal the harbours of British North America—if one may use that term to comprehend both Canada and Newfoundland—Bermuda and the British West Indies.

But north of the Virgin Islands the United States possess no harbours outside the northern States themselves, though the direct sea route between them and northern Europe skirts the remainder of the continent.

It is that consideration, no doubt, which has led to the mention of Newfoundland as the site for other possible leases. The importance of that Dominion in air operations in the North Atlantic needs no explanation.

Assurance To Bermuda

Lord Lloyd, the Colonial Secretary, has given an assurance to the Bermuda House of Assembly that there is no question of Bermuda or any part of it being separated from the British Empire or of the people of Bermuda ceasing to be British subjects, states the Colonial Office Press section.

A memorial had been transmitted to Lord Lord stating that "the people of Bermuda are deeply disturbed lest some new conception of the American hemispheric defence may affect the status of this ancient colony as an integral part of the British Commonwealth."

LARGE CANADIAN ARSENALS TAKEN OVER

Control of all Government manufacturing plants will be vested in the Department of Munitions and Supply which is already responsible for the purchase of munitions and supplies from privately owned concerns, Defence Minister Col. James L. Ralston announced at an Ottawa press conference attended by 12 members of the parliamentary press gallery.

The announcement involves the the transfer from the National Defence Department to the Department of Munitions and Supply of Administration of two large Government-owned arsenals, one in Quebec and the other in Ontario.

Discussing the transfer of control of the arsenals Colonel Ralston said it was natural and logical that the Munitions and Supply Department, which is responsible for supplies generally, should control these plants and coordinate their work with that of private concerns from which purchases are made.

The change will not affect the technical and executive staff men who will be lent to the Munitions and Supply Department. It is one of a number of changes made on the recommendation of P. A. Chester of Winnipeg, recently appointed Master-General of the Ordnance. Others include adjustments of directorates in the Ordnance Branch and changes in the staff of the directorates.

The Minister also announced that two famous cavalry regiments, Lord Strathcona's Horse and the Royal Canadian Dragoons, recently merged in the First Canadian Cavalry regiment, will retain their names but not their horses.

One will be an armoured car battalion and the other a motorcycle battalion in the Canadian Armoured Corps now being formed. The Corps will get more than 200 serviceable light tanks for training out of 250 recently bought from the United States.

Mobility will be emphasised in the training of the Third Division which will be concentrated in the Maritime Provinces by Nov. 15.

Information reaching the Minister from overseas discloses no evidence of any serious interruption of military or production activities in the United Kingdom by enemy air action.

Consideration is being given to the establishment of a new command for certain Canadian troops overseas which are now under Canadian military headquarters in London.

The 39 training centres for men called up for training on Oct. 9, were ready for the opening date. It is hoped to have 10 30-day training periods a year which would mean training 330,600 men every 12 months.

Two new internment camps will be built in north-western Ontario.

ROOSEVELT TO RESIGN?

Norman Thomas, the American Socialist Party candidate for the Presidency, says there is a "growing feeling that Roosevelt, if re-elected, will resign soon after he takes the oath of office and make Henry Wallace President."

"If this impression gets around that the President is going to resign—in order to break another national precedent—it will defeat Roosevelt," Mr. Thomas told an interviewer.

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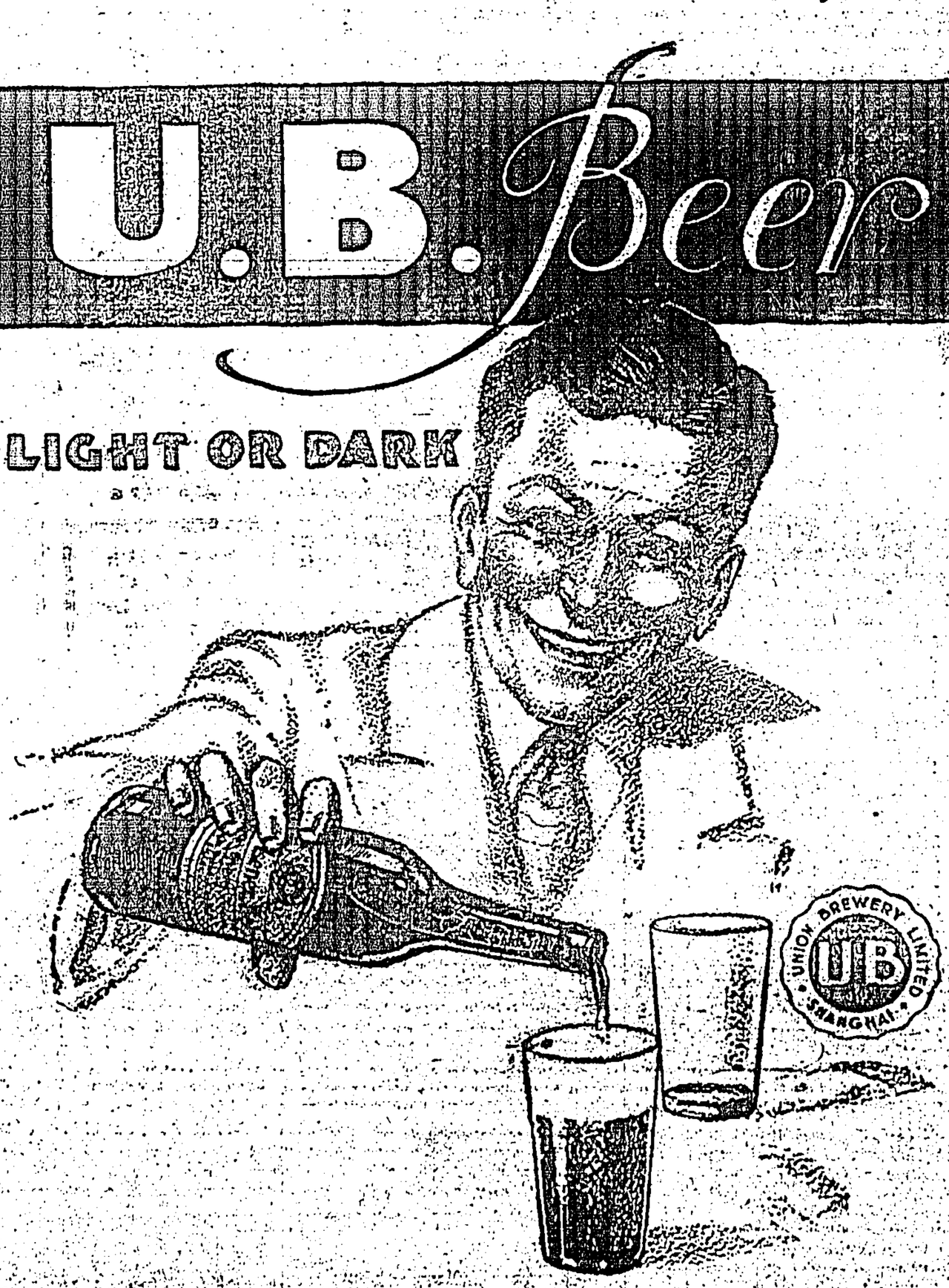

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Finessing Without Risk

"Please tell us where we went wrong," writes N.O.V. of Cincinnati. "We know that a grand slam should not be bid if a finesse has to be taken, but this one was very tempting. At that, if my partner had finessed the other way for the Queen of spades we'd have made the contract. Was my jump to the Grand Slam very bad?"

South, Dealer
Neither side vulnerable

	♠ A 10 8 ♡ A 10 9 ◇ A 10 9 ♣ A K J 6	
♠ 6 ♡ 7 6 5 3 2 ◇ 8 7 6 5 3 ♣ 7 3	N W E S	♠ Q 7 5 4 3 2 ♡ 8 4 ◇ 4 2 ♣ 5 4 2
	♠ K J 9 ♡ K Q J ◇ K Q J ♣ Q 10 9 8	

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1NT	Pass	7NT	Pass
Pass	Pass		

In our opinion there is nothing wrong with the bidding. We grant that a Grand Slam should not be bid when a finesse must be taken — but there is no way to tell, during the bidding, that a finesse will be necessary. After all, the two hands have identical distribution; otherwise they would produce thirteen tricks in top cards. Furthermore, when two partners hold every high card except for one Queen, they should bid a Grand Slam first and think about it later.

As it happens, the Grand Slam is easily made without guesswork if South takes advantage of all the available information. If he simply runs his clubs, hearts, and diamonds, he will discover that East can follow suit to only three rounds of clubs and two rounds of each red suit. Since East must have held thirteen cards originally, and since only seven of them could have been clubs, hearts or diamonds, it is a certainty that the other six must have been spades. That leaves only one spade in the West hand.

After this analysis, South should lead a spade to dummy's Ace and finesse the spade return through East's Queen. In that way the contract is made without even the slightest risk of failure.

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Yesterday you were Howard Schenken's partner and, with both sides vulnerable, you held:

♠ Q J 10 6 4
♡ 8 6
◇ K 7 4
♣ K Q 7

The bidding:

Jacoby	Schenken	Maier	You
1♡	Dbl.	Pass	(?)

ANSWER: Bid two spades. Your hand is strong enough to guarantee a game opposite a Takeout Double. Even if your partner has no fit for spades, your minor-suit strength assures a game in one of these suits or, perhaps, no-trump.

Score 100% for two spades, 40% for one spade.

Question No. 547

To-day you are David Bruce Burnestone's partner and, with both sides vulnerable, you hold:

♠ J 7 5 4
♡ 9
◇ Q 9 5 3
♣ J 6 4 2

The bidding:

Burnstone	Schenken	You	Jacoby
1♡	Dbl.	(?)	

What do you bid? (Answer To-morrow.)

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'HOSTILE' BILLETS DRIVE NURSES BACK HOME

NURSES arriving at a Hampshire war emergency hospital are complaining of the almost hostile reception they receive at their reporting depot and at their billets in the town, writes a correspondent.

So bitter is the treatment given them that some have already returned to their homes.

Several of the nurses said when they arrived after many hours' train journey they were not even offered a glass of water or a cup of tea.

Cold Comfort

They were passed on to their billets where they were given cold comfort.

One nurse said, "I could not obtain any food for several hours, and had to be content with a banana I had in my bag."

Another said, "The householder I was sent to told me frankly she did not want me, and now that I had come she would put up with me, adding that she would prefer to have a soldier because she got more out of it."

A nurse from the North of England said: "If this is the spirit in the South, thank God I am a Northerner.

"I expect the people who are so unkind to us would be the first to grumble and groan if they did not get the best medical and nursing attention in a hospital."

Miss Bannister, the hospital matron, said, "I arrived here to take charge only a few days ago, and know nothing about these things. But if there are any difficulties I can assure you they will be soon swept away."

Mrs. Redmond, who lives opposite the hospital, said, "I took pity on the nurses and cook meals for as many as I can every day because no arrangements have been made for feeding them."

U.S. ARMY BASE IN ALASKA

"With plans reported under way to begin work on a United States Army air base near Fairbanks, Alaska, a new kind of boom is in prospect for this former gold-mining camp of Uncle Sam's Far Northwest," says the National Geographic Society.

"The 'Golden Heart of Alaska,' Fairbanks, is set almost exactly in the geographic centre of the Territory. Already it is reached by railway, motor road, and air service. More than 30 'planes come and go at the local airport of this little town, whose population is estimated to be little more than 4,000.

"One of the more dramatic activities of the pilots is to deliver by parachute supplies of bread, bacon and beans, mail and medicines to gold miners working in the vicinity.

"Fairbanks was born of gold fever in 1902, when an old prospector named Pedro struck it rich along the creek which now bears his name. To-day Fairbanks is still a growing town, no longer entirely dependent on its major industry of gold mining.

"As the metropolis for a vast hinterland it is an important trading centre, as well as headquarters for a rising lumber business, and something of a mecca for summer tourists.

Active Civil Life

"Telephones, telegraph, electricity and radio, together with a hospital, chamber of commerce, schools, churches and clubs, indicate an active civic life that belies Fairbanks' size.

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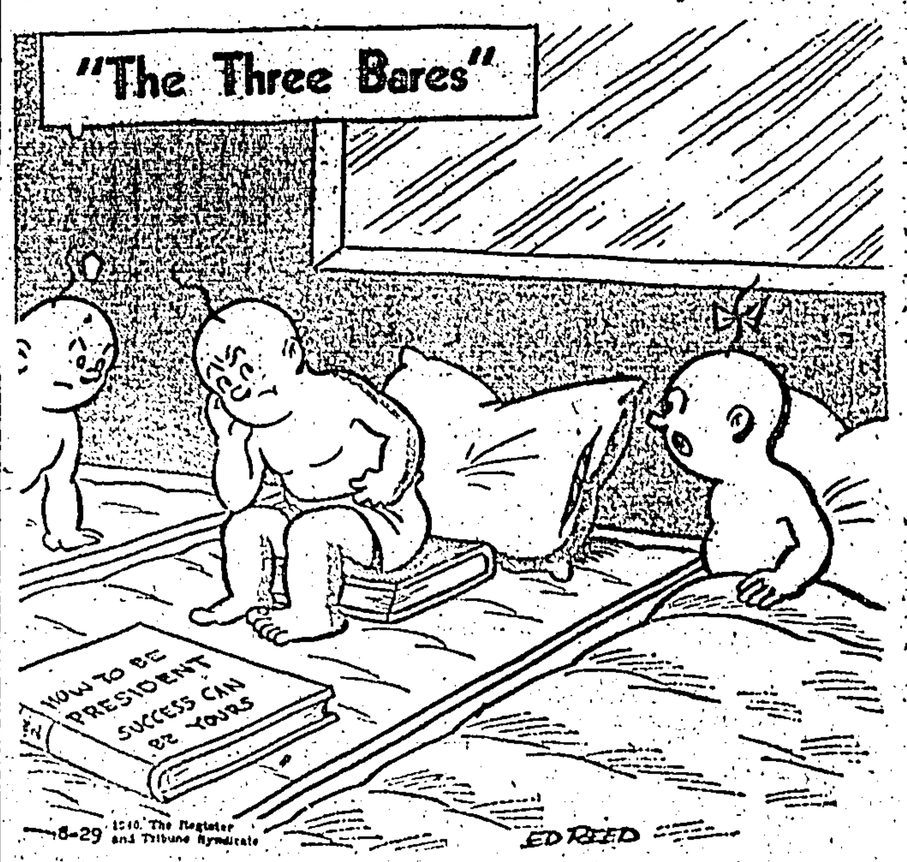

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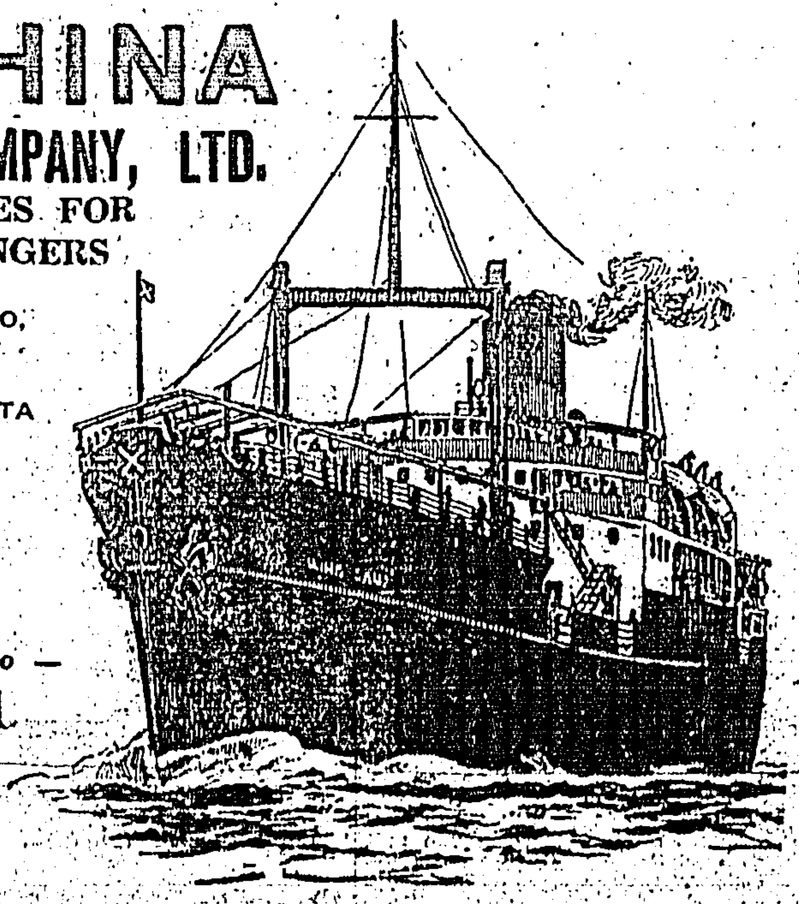

ARMY CRICKET

MURPHY & MARTIN BOWL WELL

Fine bowling by Murphy and Martin was the feature of the friendly cricket match at Sookunpoo yesterday between Royal Army Service Corps and Royal Corps of Signals. The former won by 17 runs.

Scoring generally was on the low side, James's 24 for R.A.S.C. being the highest individual score of the match.

R.A.S.C.

Cpl. Young, l.b.w., b Murphy	5
L/Cpl. Logan, run out	16
Sgt. Hamlon, st. Lithauer, b Murphy	2
Cpl. Martin, b Murphy	4
Capt. Lawrence, b Dixon	0
Cpl. Glenn, b Murphy	0
Sgt. Benford, c Bedford, b Brackenberry	14
L/Sgt. James, not out	24
Sgt. Chalcraft, b Dixon	0
Dvr. Walker, b Dixon	2
Dvr. Brown, st. Lithauer, b Murphy	17
Extras (W7)	7
Total	91

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Dixon	9	1	33	3
Murphy	5.2	0	31	5
Brackenberry	3	0	20	1

SIGNALS

Sgt. Bedford, b Young	7
Sig. Lithauer, b Martin	12
L/Cpl. Murphy, run out	15
Cpl. Copsey, c Brown, b Martin	2
L/Cpl. Pitcher, b Martin	7
Sig. Dixon, b Martin	16
Sgt. Brackenberry, l.b.w., b Young	1
Sig. Lees, st. Hamlon, b Martin	5
Sig. Sharland, b Martin	1
L/Cpl. Love, run out	0
Sig. Cotton, run out	0
Extras (W4, B1, LB1)	6
Total	74

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Young	8	0	34	2
Martin	7.4	0	32	6
Jones	1	0	2	0

ORDNANCE WIN

Royal Army Ordnance Corps beat Diocesan Boys' school by 56 runs in a friendly cricket game yesterday.

Ordnance:—131 (Pinder 31, Stonor 48; Macauley 5 for 55, Hulse 2 for 21).

D.B.S:—75 (Jernakoff 29, Hulse 19; Emberson 4 for 24, Boocock 2 for 15.)

MINIATURE FOOTBALL LEAGUE

The Children's Playgrounds Association Committee have decided to hold a Kowloon Inter-School Small Boys' Miniature Football League with the objects of stimulating interest in this game and to improve its general technique.

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AUSTRALIA NEEDS U.S. MATERIALS

Australia should be producing a Bristol Beaufort bomber a day in less than a year if it can obtain the necessary supplies from the United States. This project was begun by the British Air Mission which visited the Commonwealth last year. The first order is for 400 machines, each to cost £25,000, and the cost will be shared by the United Kingdom and Australian Governments.

The undertaking has been beset by difficulties from the beginning. The Bristol Aeroplane Company undertook to supply from England plans, tools, jigs and sufficient fabricated parts and raw materials for the building of the first 20 Beauforts. When the plans arrived war conditions necessitated their being entirely rechecked, and the Bristol Company found that it could not provide any tooling.

So far 27,000 of the 33,000 jigs and tools needed have been made in Australia, and the promised sets of parts and materials are still awaited.

Again, the plans provided for the equipment of the bombers with British Taurus engines, but with the outbreak of war it was learned that these would not be obtainable. It was then decided to adapt the airframes to carry American-type twin-row Wasp engines, to be built in Australia.

An engine factory is now being built in Sydney, a Beaufort equipped with a Wasp engine is undergoing trials in England and a sample airframe is being converted in Australia to carry the Wasp.

Despite all these difficulties, the first airframe should be delivered next April, the production of engines will begin in the earlier half of 1941 and the whole order should be completed the first half of 1942.

FEATHERS WARM, TOO

When O. P. Johnson, Duplin County Superintendent of Education, went out to the hen house for some eggs he was surprised to find a pet hen setting.

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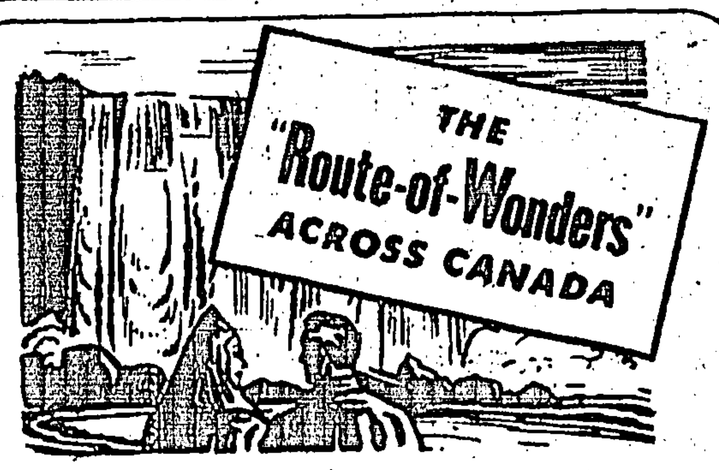

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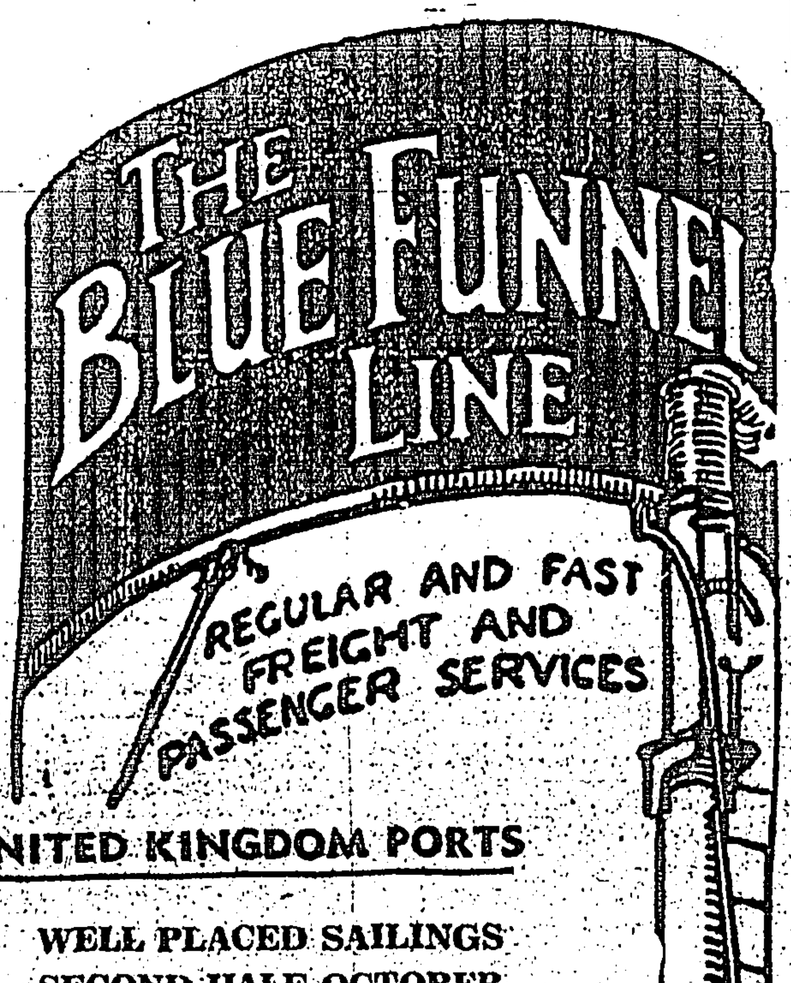

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8.15 p.m.—Studio—Recital by Y. K. Sze (Bass) with E. O'Neil Shaw at the Piano.
1. (a) "Infelice! e tuo credevi" from "Ernani" (Verdi); (b) "King Henry's Prayer" from "Lohengrin" (Wagner)....Y. K. Sze (Bass) with piano accompaniment.
2. Piano Solo—Selected....E. O'Neil Shaw.
3. (a) "Proud and Peerless" from "Guselda" (Buononcini); (b) "Caro mio ben" (Giordani); (c) "Calm as the Night" (Bohm).

8.40 p.m.—Albeniz—Suite Iberia. Madrid Symphony Orchestra cond. by Enrique Fernandez Arbos.
9.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News & News Commentaries.
9.30 p.m.—London Relay—Talk: "Books and People".
9.45 p.m.—Short Recital by Beniamino Gigli (Tenor) and Pau Casals ('Cello).
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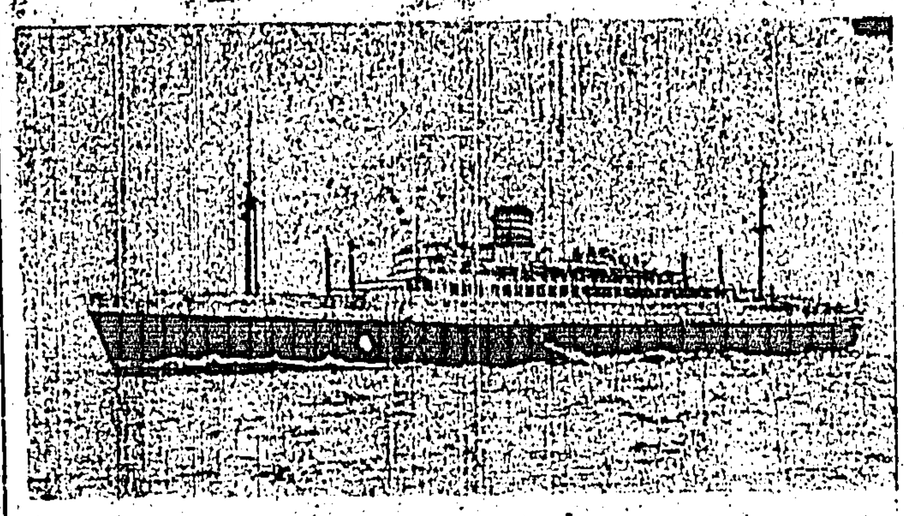

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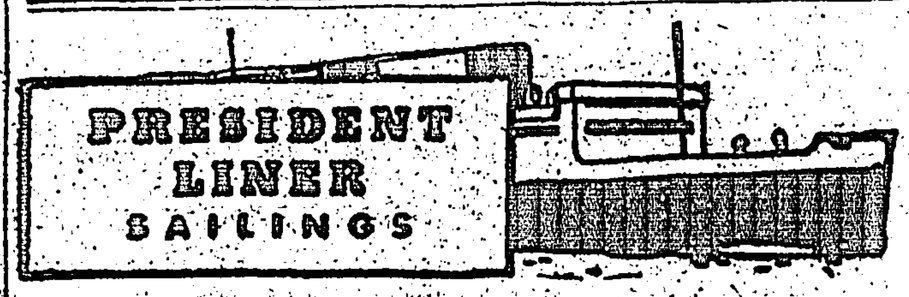

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The Preliminary International Matches Most Disappointing

Standard Of Bowling Generally Poor

MALAYA'S LATE EFFORT AGAINST IRELAND

By "Skip"

THE GOODLY NUMBER OF SPECTATORS WHO TURNED UP TO SEE THE PRELIMINARY ROUND OF THE GUTIERREZ INTERNATIONAL CUP LAST SUNDAY, MUST HAVE BEEN DISAPPOINTED AT THE FARE PROVIDED.

The standard of bowling was for the most part not high although many good shots were played — two notable ones coming from Raoul Luz towards the finish of the game between Portugal and India which the latter won.

With the score 16/12 against Portugal at the last head, Joe Luz lay a couple when the younger Rumjahn drew the first shot some few inches short of the jack. Luz came up on the backhand with some running on, to face this out and lay two again, then, with his second wood, he added another shot amid applause. And this was renewed when U.M. Omar drew the very first shot with his first wood and carefully discarded the other one.

Joe Luz has played better and A. H. Rumjahn had the edge on him as lead, but Raoul Luz balanced matters by beating the young Rumjahn, who was off throughout. Both K. M. and U. M. Omar were better than their opposites, Chico Ribeiro inclining to be on the short side at vital times and C. G. Silva, who was prone to drive too often I thought, failing to connect with his usual regularity.

China Crushed

The Philippines and China match was simply a walkover for the former after the first seven heads, when the scores were equal. After that the Philippines added no less than 22 shots to China's singleton. The victory by nearly 20 shots, I may add, was not due so much to the good play of the winners as to the ineptitude of China's four, who were sadly disappointing.

The standard of play was possibly a little higher in the game between Ireland and Malaya but even here it was nothing to write home about and many of the heads had a slight indication of Epping Forest about them, the timber was so scattered!

Chris Dowman, on his home green, did quite well as lead for Ireland, while I thought Bakar, who played three instead of number two as originally announced, was as good as any of the Malayan four. Ireland always had the lead on Malaya but the latter had just a possibility of winning when they pulled up to within three of the Irish score at the penultimate end. With the enemy lying at this last head, Abbas made a desperate effort to kill the head but only succeeded in removing his second shot, which gave Ireland a flattering three and a win by half a dozen shots.

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At Kowloon Football Club, 3.30 p.m.
3rd Battery v. No. 2 Coy. "E"
At Kowloon Cricket Club, 3.30 p.m.
Pay Section v. Field Engr. "B"
SUNDAY
At C.S.C.C., 10.00 a.m.
5th Battery v. Stanley "A"
This match will not be played unless both England and Scotland lose their International games on Saturday.
At Kowloon B.G.C., 10.00 a.m.
No. 3 Coy. "B" v. 1st Battery "A"
At Kowloon Cricket Club, 10.00 a.m.
5th Battery "B" v. 1st Battery "B"

"CHINA MAIL" CUP

UNEXPECTED RESULTS AND CLOSE FINISHES

By "Skip"

SEVEN MORE MATCHES IN THE "CHINA MAIL" CHALLENGE CUP COMPETITION WERE PLAYED OVER THE WEEK-END AND THERE WERE SOME UNEXPECTED RESULTS AS WELL AS A FEW EXCEPTIONALLY CLOSE FINISHES.

The match between Field Ambulance "B" and Second Battery comes under both categories. The latter team, as I have previously commented, looked pretty strong and I expected it to reach the next round at least. But the Medicals, for whom Bob Leigh played well as third man, caught the Gunners a little off their game, especially Tommy Carr who could do nothing right apart from an odd wick or two.

The winning skip secured what will undoubtedly be the best shot of the whole competition when he won the game for his side with his last wood.

His team, after a close game, fell into arrears of five shots with three heads to go—a quite intriguing position. Then good bowling brought them a couple of threes and a lead of one when the last head began. Second Battery seemed assured of victory when they lay two good shots, one of them being in the ditch, and less than a foot away from the kitty which had, of course, been trailed. But Steven pulled out a perfect shot which rested right at the edge of the green and almost caressed the jack, to literally snatch a victory.

First Battery Successes

Both First Battery teams won and here again close results were returned, the "A" team, captained by the O.C., getting home by 3 shots and the "B" four winning by a singleton. In both cases they came up well after trailing, "A" being 14/7 down at one stage of the game and "B" even worse off. The arrival of the Second-in-Command seemed to act as an inspiration to the O.C.'s rink which set about its task well and, recording a four, the biggest count in a low-scoring game, at 19th, they took the lead for the first time.

Jack Carr of the Civil Service Club, played a very useful game as second man but his woods were usually bumped off the jack by one or other of his opponents, of whom Bovaird, as skip, was the most deadly.

He was drawing very well to begin with but when pound-on shots were called for later, he was equally good.

Bickford, the Battery's third man, was chiefly responsible for his side's win though Capt. Jack Watson played some good woods.

First Battery's "B" team, composed largely of "unknowns," created one of the biggest upsets to date when they eliminated another Scottish team in charge of John Revie, the Kowloon Dock lead, which looked quite useful.

Lapsley Brilliant

Young Bob Lapsley was brilliant as lead for this rink whilst footballer Williamson showed a distinct aptitude for the game, as second man to Revie; neither McMaster nor the Scottish skip were consistent enough, however. I have said that the Battery team contained some unknowns but it was probably this factor which encouraged the opposition to take things too easily: that factor and the unbounded enthusiasm of the Gunners, especially Stone, who enjoyed every moment of the game. It was, I hear, his first effort at bowls and he, like his opposite number, showed great promise.

With the scores tied at 23, the Scottish four lay a nice couple when Jack came up with a little running, glanced off a side wood—which is a polite way of saying he wicked in—and lay on the kitty, Revie failing rather badly to save.

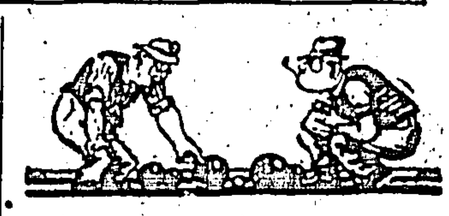
Two teams from Stanley were engaged at Kowloon Bowling Green Club but only the "A" four skipped by Bagley, emerged victorious, Jillott's rink collapsing in the last seven ends to Field Engineers "A", to lose by nearly a dozen. Sykes proved very useful as lead to the winners, whilst Capt. Bottomley, who came in as a substitute in the team's first game, showed a decided improvement and was often dangerous. He had the great asset, unusual in a learner, of never being short. The losers included a five and a three in their score of 12, and scored on only 6 of the ends, so it can be said they deserved to go down in spite of some good play by McCutcheon and Jillott.

Walter Bagley's four commenced with a five against Tom Stainton and never lost the lead, though the Scottish four pulled up well midway through, only to concede eight in the last three ends and lose by a dozen shots, which rather flattered the winners, I am told.

Sappers Start Well

Field Engineers "C" from Kowloon Dock began like the proverbial house on fire against Field Ambulance "A," chalking up 15 to their opponents' singleton in their first half dozen ends, to make victory a moral certainty. The Medicals struggled on gamely but could make little headway against an enemy which took few risks after securing its winning lead. Alec. Calman and Tony Noronha had a good struggle as leads with the former having a slight edge.

After an even start, the score being 6/5 in their favour after 6 heads, the A.S.C. Coy. "delivered the goods" in bulk against Scottish Coy's "C" team skipped by Capt. Brown, of the Hong Kong Cricket Club. A six, followed by a couple of threes and a four sealed the fate of the Infantrymen, who suffered the biggest defeat of the day. For the winners Fred Cullen and Willie Hyde, the two front men, really won the game as they outbowled Curtis and Morrison. John Gill as three was the best player on the losing side but his task was an unenviable one—the head was always against him when he bowled.



"SKIP" SAYS —

UNFINISHED GAMES SHOULD BE REPLAYED

I have commented in the past on the necessity for having a set of rules for the running of our League, as distinct from the I.B.B. rules which cover only the question of the actual playing of the game of lawn bowls.

A perfect example of the need for these rules was provided on Saturday last when the Civil Servants went over to Kowloon Dock to continue an unfinished game which had been interrupted by rain some weeks ago.

It has been the custom to carry on from the old score as is done for singles games, the skips who were drawn together in the first game, continuing their battle. And here is where the difficulty arises—for in the game on which I am hinging my remarks, only one of the original skips was playing.

Elaboration of the subject is not called for but I give my remedy again, that is that all unfinished games be cancelled and re-commenced as an entirely new game.

No hardship would be entailed and the rule would be the same for every team.

On Saturday the Civil Servants turned up one man short and, as they were in arrears in the original game, they conceded the points to Kowloon Dock and played a friendly game instead.

GOVT. HOUSE LAWN BOWLS

His Excellency Lieutenant-Gen. E. F. Norton, C.B., D.S.O., M.C., entertained the following, who represented the Bowlsters and Kowloon Bowling Green Cub, at a bowls game held at Government House, at 3.30 p.m. on Wednesday.

The following participated:—

Bowlsters:—W. Walker, N. L. Smith, Dr. Newton, J. Deakin 13; J. A. Fraser, Sir A. MacGregor, J. Smith, S. H. Dodwell 22; W. A. Cornell, F. Flippance, E. Searle, H. H. Pegg 15.

Kowloon Bowling Green Club:—A. Morton, E. A. Atkins; J. S. Dinnen, A. J. Hall 20; R. Phillips, S. C. Walker, E. Levett, R. Duncan 9; H. C. Sprong, G. Elphick, J. E. Henson, H. Lockhart 21.

ABBAS'S GREAT RALLY

Close finishes featured the semi-final games in the Open Singles Lawn Bowls Championship yesterday at the Kowloon Bowling Green Club; M. R. Abbas of Indian Recreation Club beat U. M. Omar, holder, by 21-20 on the 27th head and M. N. Rakusen beat F. J. Jones by 21-18 on the 22nd head.

Omar started off well and at the 10th head was leading Abbas by 14 shots to 2 and at the 15th had increased this lead to 18—16. At this stage the odds against Abbas winning were very great but **the Sookunpoo player staged a rally as great as that of Omar's in the final last year against Dallah.**

At the 24th head he was being led by only 19—18 and the game had taken on a different complexion. Abbas was now playing confidently, while Omar was not so brilliant as at the start.

At the 27th head Abbas was lying three, Omar took a wood out and **the impression both players had was that Abbas was only lying one.** It was a surprise to both when Abbas was told that he had two and had won the game!

Head	U. M. Omar Shots	U. M. Omar Total	M. R. Abbas Shots	M. R. Abbas Total
1	1	1	0	1
2	1	2	0	0
3	0	2	1	1
4	4	6	0	1
5	0	6	1	2
6	1	7	0	2
7	1	8	0	2
8	2	10	0	2
9	1	11	0	2
10	3	14	0	2
11	0	14	1	3
12	0	14	2	5
13	0	14	1	6
14	1	15	0	6
15	3	18	0	6
16	0	18	1	7
17	0	18	1	8
18	0	18	2	10
19	0	18	1	11
20	0	18	2	13
21	1	19	0	13
22	0	19	1	14
23	0	19	3	17
24	0	19	1	18
25	1	20	0	18
26	0	20	1	19
27	0	20	2	21

"Possible" Starts Rakusen Recovery

Jones was leading Rakusen 11-7 at the 12th head but the latter scored a possible at the next and added further points at the next four heads to lead by 17-11.

A four at the 20th, following by a two at the next brought the scores to 19-16 in favour of Rakusen, who scored the required two at the next head.

Head	M. N. Rakusen Shots	M. N. Rakusen Total	F. J. Jones Shots	F. J. Jones Total
1	1	1	0	0
2	0	1	1	1
3	0	1	3	4
4	0	1	1	5
5	2	3	0	5
6	1	4	0	5
7	0	4	1	6
8	0	4	2	8
9	2	6	0	8
10	0	6	1	9
11	1	7	0	9
12	0	7	2	11
13	4	11	0	11
14	1	12	0	11
15	1	13	0	11
16	2	15	0	11
17	2	17	0	11
18	0	17	1	12
19	2	19	0	12
20	0	19	4	16
21	0	19	2	18
22	2	21	0	18

SOCCER REVIEW

THE ERSTWHILE PESSIMISTS PROVIDE ALL THE SURPRISES

Kowloon F.C. Start Badly But Now Going Great Guns

Splendid Form Of Lee Wai-Tong

By "Referee"

NOW THAT THE LOCAL FOOTBALL SEASON HAS BEEN IN PROGRESS FOR JUST OVER A MONTH, IT IS POSSIBLE TO APPRAISE THE STRENGTH OF THE VARIOUS TEAMS PARTICIPATING IN THE FOOTBALL LEAGUE, WHICH UP TO NOW HAS HAD LITTLE INTERRUPTION THROUGH MILITARY OR OTHER CAUSES.

Several clubs started the present season very gloomily and could not gaze into the future with much confidence but strangely enough these are the very clubs which so far are providing all the surprises to date.

Kowloon were badly beaten in their first game, by South China, but have since earned the enviable distinction of having upset several good teams. Their victory against much fancied Kwong Wah can be regarded as a creditable accomplishment while they also did well to snatch a point from both Middlesex and Eastern.

In the latter match they were unfortunate in not securing a win as they were leading until near the end

Best Pivot

Williamson, undoubtedly the best pivot in the Colony at present, has been the mainstay of the defence and all forwards find him a great obstacle. Kowloon have now gathered together a very useful and well-balanced team which should cause many more upsets.

Injuries, transfers and departures hit St. Joseph's badly before the season commenced and after being beaten by Club, in their first game, they have gone about team-building in a very earnest manner. The result is that today, Saints have a team that can give the best a run for their money. Leonard, Bowen and Hussain have been placed in the defence to strengthen it, while several Chinese schoolboys, whose only football hitherto has been in the small ball league, have come on exceedingly well.

The forward line is a tricky one and do well up to the penalty area but they do not take full advantage when in shooting distance.

Gomes, MacDonald and C. Santos are all good midfield players and an improvement in their shooting will carry St. Joseph's very high in the League Table.

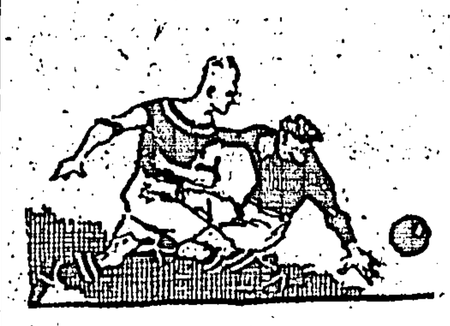
South China had only Lee Wai-tong and Tam Kwan-kon of last year's champion team a week before the first game, but with the return of a number of their old players they now form the greatest threat to Sing Tao for honours. The two teams meet this week-end at Caroline Hill.

South China's intermediate line is not particularly strong, though the inclusion of Lau Hing-choy has remedied it somewhat.

Lee Shooting Well

Those who have seen Lee Wai-tong play this season will agree that he is showing better form than for many seasons past. His shooting is still good but he does not expect the same passes from his present colleagues as when Fung and Lai were with him, and as a result he does more work. Chan Tak-fai is another South China forward who needs watching.

Return of Hau Ching-to, Chan Kam-hoi, Cheung Yung-sum and the inclusion of several Shanghai players has placed Eastern in a



strong position although they were rudely shocked by Kowloon last week.

Eastern were forced to give Sing Tao a "walk over" in the first game as they were then unable to raise a team but in the next game gave indications of being a leading team in First Division.

The ready-made Sing Tao team is still undefeated and fancied in some quarters to be a good tip for the championship They have a well-balanced and experienced team, and as long as they are fortunate as regards injuries they should do well. It is interesting to note that most of their players have been playing for some years and may be giving up soccer soon, while there are no outstanding players in the Junior team.

The much touted Kwong Wah team has done nothing of note to date and unless they show an improvement then are likely to be very low in the league. Apparently the blending of Chinese and Portuguese players has not produced the desired results and they have secured only one point in the four games so far played.

A. V. Gosano has not turned out for them in the last two games while Yeung Tse-chong, their pivot, is on the injured list and playing with the juniors.

Inconsistency

The three Service teams, Middlesex, Royal Scots and Navy have not produced consistent form this season. Middlesex did well to beat Navy and though they had their share of the game against Eastern and South China they were badly beaten. Sheehan has played in several positions, starting in the intermediate line; he is now leading the attack. Freshwater is playing very well as full-back and effectively stopped Lee Wai-tong on numerous occasions last week.

One can never be certain what the Royal Scots will do. They did well to beat South China in the first game, lapsed badly against Eastern and St. Joseph's and came back strongly on Sunday to beat Kwong Wah.

Royals have a good defence and when their forwards are on form are able to upset the best.

Navy are handicapped by not being able to field the same team each week. With the best team available they have a good side as O'Regan, Hendy, Roughley and Honeywell are all players of no mean class.

Club obtained two points in their first game against St. Joseph's but have not done well thereafter as they find it hard to field a good team regularly owing to military and other duties. Club have in the past upset good teams and should be able to collect more points before the end of the season.

Police secured their first point last week against St. Joseph's and have lost the majority of their games through their own fault and in the closing stages of the games. They have the same team as last year. In fact they are occasionally strengthened by Pope, at right-half, but their forwards seldom seem able to finish their movements.

Sappers' Fine Team

Royal Engineers seem set for Second Division honours. They have a team which would do well in the Senior League. Their best feat was when they beat Sing Tao, who had several First Division players in the side including Soong Ling-sing, Fung Kwan-shing, and Ip Pak-wah.

Royal Scots and Service Corps are their greatest challengers.

The Third Division title seems to lie between Royal Air Force and International though 24th A.A. and 30th R.A. are showing improved form.

BOWLING ALLEY JOTTINGS

By "STRIKE"

THE fourth leg of the 20-game Challenge match between Doc Molthen partnered by Ernie Hearther and Corp. Blount partnered by Corp. Watts was played off on October 17, and resulted in a "headache" for the former who only just scraped home by 21 pins.

This was an extraordinary close call because, the eventual winners were 196 pins in the lead on the first three legs. The individual scores in the last leg were as follows:—

Corp. Blount	958	Ernie Hearther	860
Corp. Watts	872	Doc Molthen	775
	1830		1655

There was no doubt of the superiority of Blount and Watts in this match over their opponents. Blount was easily top scorer with a brilliant 958, or 191.3 pins per game, this being also the second highest score for the 20 games played, Hearther being top scorer with 968 made on the third leg.

Incidentally, Blount secured the only 200's, during the fourth leg when he bagged a 209 on his second game and 201 on his fifth game.

His partner (Watts) materially assisted Blount with a good 872 pins or an average of 174.2 pins per game, but he would undoubtedly have done much better had he not failed on his fourth game to make a mediocre 149. Had he made on his fourth game the average of his first, second, third and fifth games, which was 181, they would have won the match.

Neither Hearther nor Molthen shone so well as in their former encounters, although Ernie made a useful 880 or an average of 176 pins per game and Molthen put up a lowly 775 or an average of 155 pins per game, which almost lost them the match.—It is rather interesting to note the scores for the 20 games of the challenge match by the four players in the order of scores:—

Blount:—	189, 186, 136, 148, 166, 198, 159, 163, 212, 169, 175, 162, 170, 212, 210, 186, 209, 196, 166, and 201. Total—3613.
Hearther:—	212, 152, 157, 165, 190, 181, 186, 167, 164, 179, 208, 195, 208, 165, 192, 151, 178, 173, 187 and 191. Total—3601.
Molthen:—	168, 173, 158, 182, 149, 207, 172, 137, 188, 212, 174, 197, 163, 190, 180, 157, 157, 150, 156 and 155. Total—3425.
Watts:—	201, 182, 172, 174, 120, 163, 165, 138, 178, 148, 168, 194, 187, 193, 137, 176, 176, 177, 149 and 194. Total—3392.

The aggregate scores for the 20 games for Hearther and Molthen was 7026 and for Blount and Watts 7005, thus they were down only 21 pins on the 20 games played. It certainly was about the closest finish I have ever seen in any Indoor Bowling Alleys either English or American bowling. The averages for all four players are worthy of note and were as follows:—Blount 180.65 pins per game; Hearther 180.5 pins per game; Molthen 171.25 pins per game; and Watts 169.6 pins per game. Throughout the 20 games there were no fewer than 11 scores of over 200 registered, Blount bagging five of them—212 212, 210, 209, and 201. Hearther netted three—212, 208, 208—and Molthen two, a 207 and 212, while Watts had one, 201.

Ewo Indoor Bowling League

The management of the Hong Kong Bowling Alleys, in conjunction with the representatives, in Hong Kong, of the Ewo Brewery Company of Shanghai, have decided to commence another tourney for the Ewo Indoor Bowling League Cup at Ten Pins. This Cup was very kindly presented by the Ewo Brewery Co., and will be on display in the Alley throughout the competition. There are eight teams entered and it is hoped that a match can be played off this week-end, failing which there will certainly be one or two matches played the following week. Entries have been received from the following teams:—

"Marcel Boys". A team mainly composed of our friends from the Royal Naval Hospital, that is Lewis, Hewitt, Nunn and Neale.

Argonauts: This team is the old original one with the exception of the inclusion of C.P.O. Woods of the U.S.S. Asheville fame, the team being Ismail, Birkett, C.P.O. Wood and Hall.

Asheville Ships Team: Is composed of our old friends from the Asheville, Harvey Balaski, Harman and Fleming.

Termites. Is mainly from Jardine, Matheson and Company, Parsons, Gaubert, Stone and Darby.

The Buglers. Composed of Wathen, McLaren, Neate and Wilkins from the Royal Corps of Signals.

Wash-Outs. This team is composed of the Odell Brothers, Talan and C.P.O. Summers of Asheville.

Dare-Devils: Are our old friends, Blount, Watts, Landolt and Gaddi.

The Hijackers. Are two of the old Champs team, Hearther and Molthen with two newcomers to match play in these Alleys, Waller and Williams.

The Draw

The draw for the first round is as follows:—

Hijackers v. Termites.
Asheville Ship Team v. Dare Devils.
Buglers v. Argonauts.
Wash-Outs v. Marcel Boys.

The conditions with regard to the closing dates for each round and the final are as follows:—First round to be completed by November 7; Second round to be completed by November 14; Final to be completed by November 21.

To facilitate the smooth running of this Tourney, the Teams are specially requested to get in touch with the Manager of the Hong Kong Bowling Alleys, giving him the date most suitable to them.

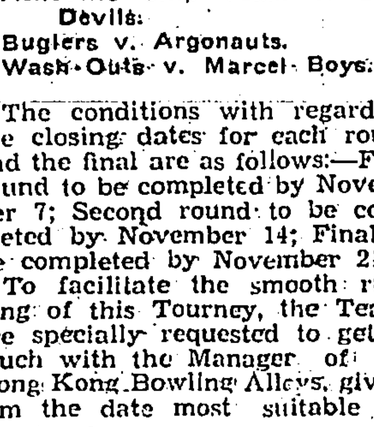
Up to the time of writing these jottings the highest scores for the month on the monthly record boards are as follows:—

TEN-PINS

Ladies:—Mrs. Lambert 131
Men:—L. C. Garrett 232

DUCK-PINS

Ladies:—Mrs. E. Soong 134
Men:—H. Blount 158



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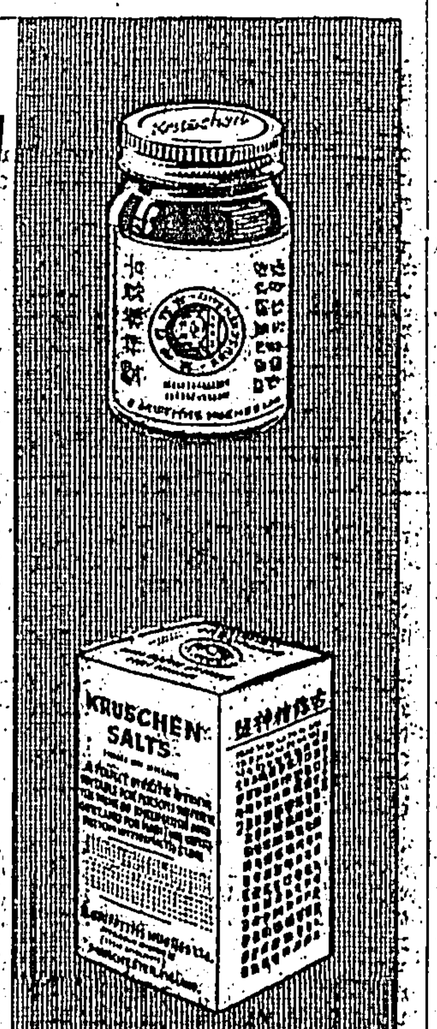

KRUSCHEN SALTS

ARMY SPORTLIGHT

By "Squaddy"

Rowing

AT the Annual General meeting of the Area Rowing committee held on Tuesday the following dates were suggested for the Area Rowing regatta. If sufficient entries were forthcoming the heats would be held on Tuesday November 12th, and the finals on November 13; if not, only one day would be necessary, the latter date.

There are about 12 teams entered so far for this event and are made up from the following units.

12th Hvy. Regt., R.A., 5th A.A. Regt., R.A., 1st Bn. The Middlesex Regiment, Carrier Platoon of the Royal Scots, Royal Engineers, and the Royal Army Service Corps. The regatta will take place at Stonecutters starting at 2.30 each day. The Sappers are hot favourites for this regatta and are after retaining the "Ah King" Cup once again this year. The Carrier Platoon of the Scots have got together their own gig, and are entering the regatta on their own accord, which I think is a grand effort on the part of the Platoon Commander, Lieut. G. D. Dunlop, M.C.

12 Coy., R.A.S.C. are entering teams in for the "Brown" Cup. The "Ah King" Cup, and the "Chaplain" Cup.

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Small Units Football

THE last game to be played in the first round of the Small Units football knockout competition was concluded between the 12th Hvy. Bty. R.A. and "B" Coy. of the Middies, which resulted in a win for the former by 3 goals to 1. The second round of this competition is to be played off before November 11, and the following is the revised draw for the Second Round:—40 (F) Coy R.E. v HQ Coy 1/Mx.; 36th Hvy Bty R.A. v 20th Hvy Bty R.A.; 12th Hvy Bty R.A. v HQ Coy 2/R. Scots; A Coy 2/Scots v 22 (F) Coy R.E.; A Coy 1/Mx. v D Coy 2/R. Scots; R.A.F. v B Coy 2/R. Scots; C Coy 2/R. Scots v 12 Coy R.A.S.C.; and 6 Section R.A.O.C. v 24th Hvy Bty R.A.

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Association Football

THIS week the Royal Scots are playing the Navy at Causeway Bay, kick off 4.30 p.m. This should be worth watching especially as the Navy this season are playing excellent football and the Scots, who defeated the KWONG WAH football Club last week by 5 goals to 2, will want watching. They have a sound defence in Fraser and Naysmith, not to mention Duncan in goal. The Middlesex are playing St. Joseph's at Sookunpoo and would not have much trouble in taking both points if the changed their forward-line a little.

The Engineers played the Signals in a scruff match at Happy Valley on Wednesday which resulted in a draw of two goals each. Shepperd and Clare scored for the Signals, and Warton and Dix for the Sappers.

On Tuesday the Engineers again played and drew with the Hong Kong Club 1—1, at the Club's ground. Deiyer, Homburg and Shaw all played excellent games, with Groston playing an outstanding game at centre-half. Shaw scored for the Sappers, and they were unlucky to lose, having most of the game and being superior in all positions.

Cpl. Edmunds of Royal Air Force, who has represented the Royal Air Force at "Home," will I think, be able to gain his place in the Combined Services team which will play the rest on November 11. He is an excellent left back, and his performances are of consistent excellency. Cpl. Cuthbert of the same unit is also worth a trial.

Hockey

AT Boundary Street Middlesex seniors beat Police by four goals to two, Bds Hymas scoring the hat-trick, with L/Cpl. Moggeridge netting the other goal. Next Sunday the Middlesex first eleven will entertain the C.B.A. first team at Shamshuipo, bully off 4.30 p.m. The C.B.A. are turning out their strongest team and this should be a good game, and worth watch.

The 5th Battalion 7th Rajput Regt., who have only just arrived in the Colony, made a fine debut in the hockey world on Saturday by defeating the Nomads. One of their players has played in the Indian Olympic trials and should be strong assistance to them in the Hockey League here. Capt. Wood is an excellent player and no doubt will gain his place in the Army side. On Wednesday the Sappers beat the Signals in a scrappy game at Sookunpoo by 3 goals to 2, Westwood getting the hat-trick and Wright (1), Holland (1) scoring for Signals.

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Cricket

ON Wednesday Royal Scots defeated the Middies in a friendly at the C.B.S. ground by 60 runs. The Middies were all out for 46 runs, Bateman taking 3 wickets for 7 runs, and Emmerson 3 wickets for 6 runs. The Scots replied with 106, Lieut. Fargus making 24 runs and Capt. Patterson 29 runs. Hatfield took 6 wickets for 32 runs, and Nicholson 3 wickets for 10 runs.

At Sookunpoo on Wednesday the Service Corps beat the Signals by 17 runs. The Signals were all out for 74 runs and the Corps replied with 91 runs. Martin did some excellent bowling for the Service Corps by taking 7 wickets for 32 runs, and Young took 2 for 33 runs. Jones scored 24 not out for the Service Corps, with Logan the Army player getting 16 not out, and Brown 17 before being stumped. Dixon with 18 was the Signals' highest scorer.

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Rugby Football

MEDICAL Corps are doing rather well at Rugby this season so far and last week added another wins to their credit.

The first victory was over the Combined Destroyers of the Royal Navy whom they beat 13—3. Capt. Barclay of the Medics played a good and often prevented the opposing threequarters from getting a touchdown. The threequarters all worked well together throughout the game, the most outstanding players being Major Harvey, Lieut. Coombes, and Pte. Macdonald. The other game resulted in a draw with one of H.M. Ships of 3 points all. It was pretty even throughout and Capt. Scriven worked well all the time. The Medics were without the services of two of their star players in Lieut. Coombes, and Pte. Macdonald.

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Hockey Umpires

IT is understand that L/Cpl. Dove, of the Signals has been holding classes for hockey umpires, and anyone interested is asked to communicate with him. I am sure that he will be only too willing to help any of the service personel.

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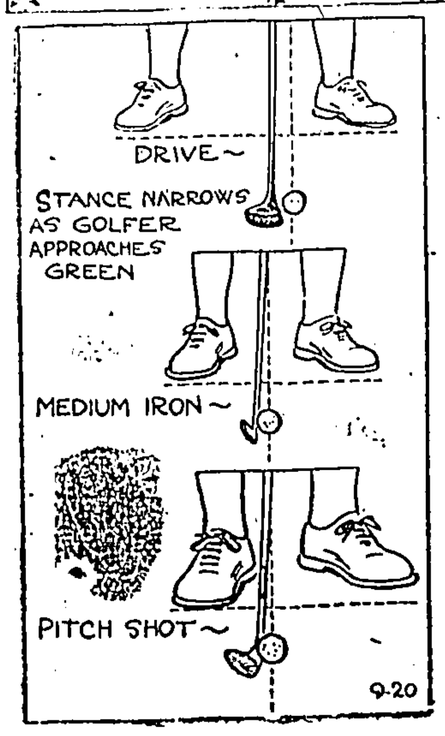

HOW STANCE VARIES

BY BEST BALL

A player's position in regard to the ball varies in a graduated scale from tee to pin. On the longer tee shots, where power is important the golfer stands further from the ball and his feet are separated by a space approximating the width of the shoulders. Such a stance allows a full wind-up and maximum hitting velocity, consistent with the accuracy desired.

For the shorter shots the feet are brought closer together and the body nearer the ball. Here a premium is paid on accuracy and this can be better accomplished by using an upright swing, which requires closer proximity to the ball. A guide to the correct position is given by a graduated set of clubs suited to the player. The player should stand naturally so that these clubs have their soles flat on the turf, neither the heels nor the toes of the clubhead raised.

Next Article: — Curing a Hook.

ARMY SOCCER TRIAL

Following have been chosen to participate in an Army football trial game at Sookunpoo on Wednesday at 4.30 p.m.

Probables: — Moxham (Engineers); Freshwater (Middlesex) and Hamlen (Service Corps); Birrell (Engineers), Guy (30th R.A.) and Wilkinson (Middlesex); Coomer (Middlesex), Morgan (Service Corps), Fox (Engineers), Clarke (Service Corps) and Martin (Service Corps).

Possibles: — Duncan (Royal Scots); Naysmith (Royal Scots); Lawson (Royal Artillery); Shaw (Engineers), Bright (Middlesex), and Falconer (Royal Scots); Lam Wai-lun (Engineers), Pearson (Middlesex), Hossack (Royal Scots), Young (Service Corps) and Duffield (Ordnance).

Reserves: — Pelham (Engineers), Jackson (Middlesex) Parnaby (Royal Scots) and Hole (Royal Artillery).

NAVY RUGBY TEAMS

Following will represent Navy to-morrow against Club:

1st XV:—F/Lt. Wright; Tel. Bowden, Tel. Paul, Tel. Honeywill and S/L. McGill; S/L. Rutherford and Lt. Carter; L.S.A. Palmer, Lt. Watson, Sgt. Manfield; F/Lt. Taylor, C.P.O. Wtr. King; Lt. (E) Brown, S/L. Carey and A.B. Longmuir.

"A" XV:—P.O. Clough; L.A.C. Gracie, Cdt. Lamble P.O. Wilson and P.O. Skinner; S/L Smith and A.B. Gallagher; S/L. Eager, Tel. Porter, S/L. Beattie; P/O. Baugh, L.S. Jones; S/L. Danger, S/L. Young and Ord. Sec. Taylor.

Reserves:—L.S.B.A. Addis, A.B. Lilley, A.B. Lovelock, L.S. Mitchell, A.B. Williams, Tel. Faulkner and Ldg. Sig. Sandison.

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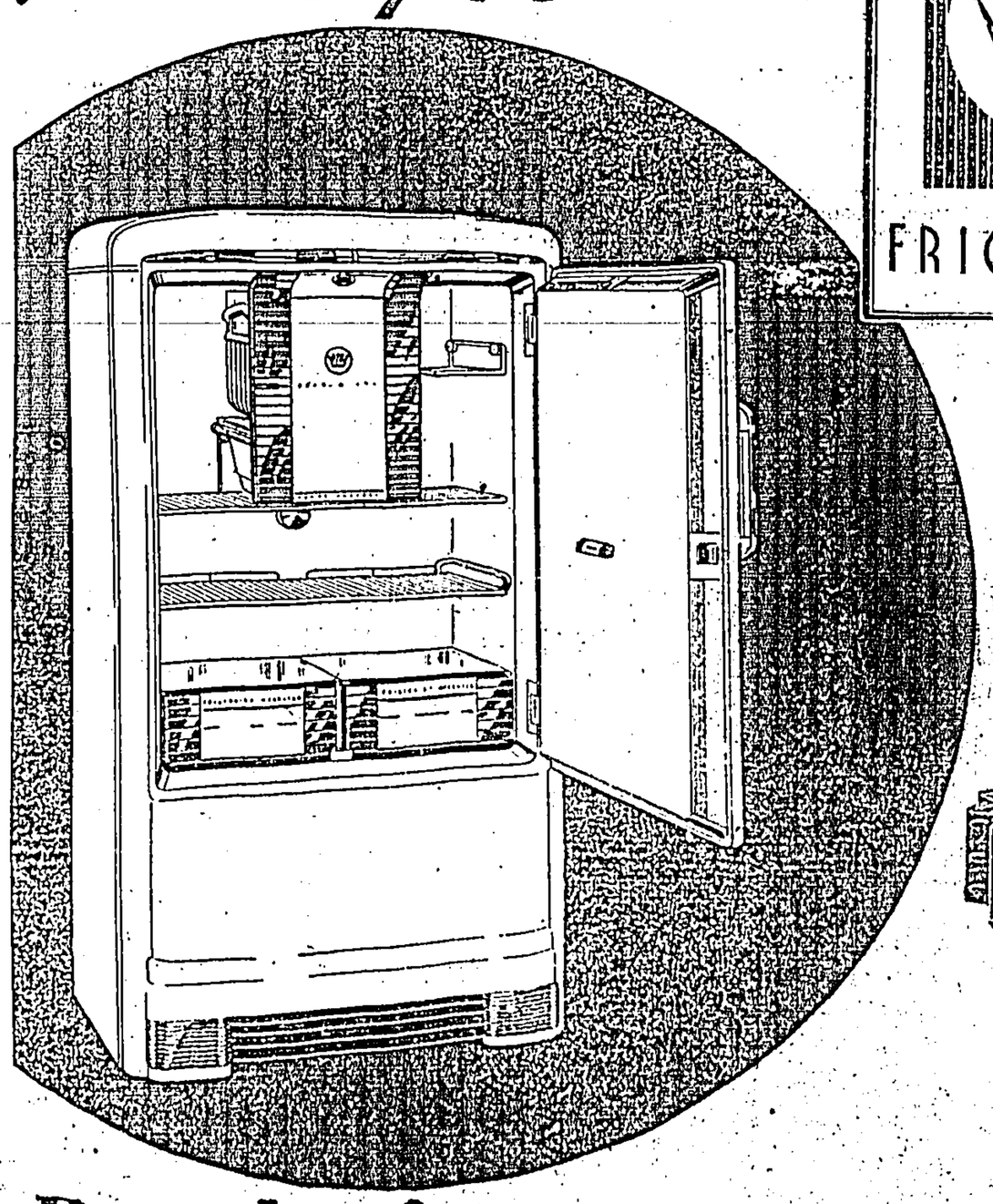

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FOR THE NEXT TWO months the Burma road will be used exclusively for the transportation of Government goods and medicine, in order to avoid congestion, it was officially announced in Chungking yesterday.

With the arrival of more trucks and spare parts, freight capacity on the road is expected to be doubled. Its present capacity is 300 tons a day.

The Ministry of Communications has erected a machine-shop in Szechuen for making spare parts while a tire-treading plant is already producing goods in Yunnan.

While prohibiting private trucks from operating on the road, the Chinese communication authorities are also refusing permission to hire trucks from Burma and elsewhere for the shipment of commercial goods to and from China for the next two months at least.

In doing so the Government hopes to get the maximum of goods in and out of the country during the shortest possible period.

The Minister of Communications has formulated a plan for A.A. defences along the road which has been submitted to the Government for approval.

Supply Of Drugs

Mr. John Earl Baker, representative of the American Red Cross, declared yesterday that 650 tons of drugs sent by the American Red Cross were in Rangoon awaiting transportation to the interior. Fifteen tons of quinine had also been purchased by the American Red Cross for distribution in China.—Reuter.

Queen Mary visiting the "Spare a Trinket" Fund, the subsidiary branch of the Duchess of Northumberland's Comforts Fund for the A.T.S. H.M. Queen Mary is looking over the Trinkets and with her are Mrs. Gordon Barry, Mrs. Brian Thursby Pelham, Chairman and Founder of The Trinket Fund, and the Marchioness of Townsend. (Copyright, Fox).

CHEN KUNG-PO NOW "MAYOR" OF SHANGHAI

Wang Ching-wei's newspapers in Shanghai disclosed last night that Chen Kung-po, President of the Legislative Yuan in the Nanking Puppet regime, has been officially appointed "Mayor" of Shanghai. —Our Own Correspondent.

ITALIAN FORCE AMBUSHED

A remarkable action in the Sudan, in which very heavy casualties were inflicted upon the enemy, with no British casualty, was announced in a G.H.Q. communique issued in Cairo yesterday.

The communique says that in the Sudan one of our motorised patrols in the Kassala sector surprised and attacked at close range from the rear a party of approximately 1,000 enemy, inflicting very heavy casualties. Our casualties were nil.

In Egypt, during the night of Tuesday/Wednesday, an enemy camp east of Sidi Barrani was successfully raided.

One prisoner was taken and eight motor transport vehicles destroyed.—Reuter.

POLES MAN SCOTTISH COAST

Polish forces have taken over a sector of the Scottish coast in the coastal defence scheme.

This was announced in a communique issued from General Sikorski's headquarters last night, describing Mr. Churchill's visit to Scotland on Wednesday.

The soldiers who have taken over this sector are the First Polish Army Corps in Scotland. —Reuter.

STOP PRESS

A widow, Ho Sau-chun, 37 years of age, was found murdered at 6.30 a.m. to-day on the ground floor of No. 54, Wuhu Street in Hunghom.

The woman owned a rice shop and was last seen alive at midnight. The inmates of the place have been detained for questioning. The woman succumbed to multiple stab wounds.

RECORD TRIP ON BURMA ROAD

THE FIRST CONVOY OF CHINESE LORRIES TRAVELLING ALONG THE BURMA ROAD SINCE THE RE-OPENING ARRIVED AT YUNNANFU IN RECORD TIME.

They left Lashio on October 18 and made the 720-miles trip in under three days.

Before the closing of the road it took at least five days to cover the journey.—Reuter.

GERMANY WORKING WAR PRISONERS

News has just reached Polish circles in London that Polish war prisoners are now being employed by the Germans in the reconstruction of German Baltic ports destroyed in air raids by the R.A.F.

Another despatch received in London yesterday said the first batch of German children, numbering 700, evacuated from Berlin on account of air raids, has arrived at Poznan.—Reuter.

POWER RESOURCES IN ST. LAWRENCE

The appointment of a temporary four-man commission to work with a United States committee on the early development of the power resources of the International Rapids section of the St. Lawrence was made in Ottawa yesterday by the office of the Canadian Prime Minister. — Reuter.

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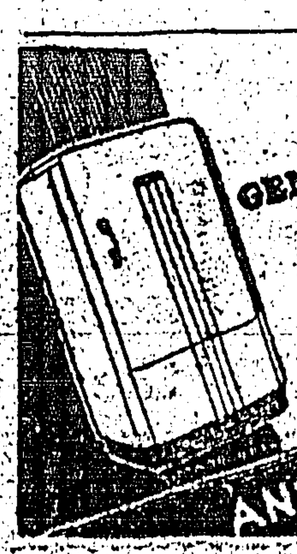

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HITLER SPREADING HIS TENTACLES

Glib Tongue For France And Spain May Not Be All

(By Reuter's Diplomatic Correspondent)

THE AXIS NEGOTIATIONS WITH FRANCE AND SPAIN MAY NOT BY ANY MEANS BE THE WHOLE STORY OF THE EXTENT OF CURRENT GERMAN DIPLOMATIC MANOEUVRES.

It is probable that secret feelers are also being put out in the East.

The curtain of silence enshrouding all recent Axis moves are easily explicable in the light of the well-known Nazi policy of avoiding committing itself to any course in case it fails to achieve success.

Hence precise indications of German desiderata vis-a-vis Laval and Franco are lacking.

Whatever form Germany's proposals may have taken, however, they have apparently encountered some opposition in Vichy despite Laval's compliant atitude.

It is interesting to note that the veteran Marshal Petain is still able to make a stand in honour and obstinacy, even though he is liable to be circumvented by some of the astute politicians around him.

As to the sudden Hitler-Franco meeting, the fact that the Fuehrer put himself out to the extent of a 500-mile railway journey is proof of the importance of the issues involved.

Italy In Dark

Belief that an attempt was made to obtain from the Spanish Caudillo what the Axis failed to secure from Senor Suner in his Berlin visit, still holds.

The attitude of the Italian press to the latest developments indicates they are as much in the dark as the rest of the world but that they are determined not to be overlooked or admit they have been slighted.—Reuter.

France To Start Peace Offensive?

PETAIN SEES HITLER

Rumours that France may launch a new peace move on behalf of the Axis are circulating in diplomatic circles in Vichy, according to Vichy advices received in New York yesterday.

These rumours are linked with a reported impending further meeting between Pierre Laval, French Vice-Premier, and Hitler in Paris.

Meanwhile Marshal Petain has left Vichy for an unknown destination attired in full State uniform and accompanied by leaders of his Cabinet, according to Vichy reports quoted in a Berlin despatch.—Reuter.

[It was stated yesterday that a personal meeting between Hitler and Marshal Petain, might be arranged.]

Barest Communique

Hitler and Marshal Petain met yesterday at an undisclosed place in France.

A communique issued in Berlin after the meeting says: "The Fuehrer to-day received the Chief of the French State and President of the French Council of Ministers, Marshal Petain.

"The Foreign Minister, von Ribbentrop, and the Vice-President of the French Council of Ministers, Laval, were present." — Reuter.

First Result

First tangible result of the Hitler-Laval meeting will be the transfer of the Petain Government to Paris, according to the Berlin correspondent of the Yugoslav newspaper "Politika" quoted yesterday by Belgrade radio.

According to a Rome despatch to the same paper the situation in Syria was given special attention at the meeting.—Reuter.

NO PEACE NEGOTIATIONS IN PROGRESS

The Chinese authorities in Washington declared yesterday that reports of Sino-Japanese peace negotiations may be dismissed as unfounded.

Increasing American aid and the reopening of the Burma road had given China a new determination to continue the fight, it was added.—Reuter.

NAZI RAIDS ON SMALL SCALE

A few enemy aircraft, operating singly, crossed our coasts yesterday, says an Air Ministry communique, and bombs are reported from the London area, from Kent, from Hampshire and from a country district in Somerset.

Though full reports have not yet been received it is known that some damage was done to dwelling houses and industrial buildings in the London area and a small number of people were injured.

At one town in Hampshire considerable damage was done and there were a few casualties.

Two enemy bombers were shot down during the day by our fighters without loss to themselves. One enemy bomber was destroyed on Wednesday night.—Reuter.

MR. KENNEDY DELAYED AT LISBON

Mr. Joseph Kennedy, United States Ambassador to Britain, was unable to leave Lisbon for America yesterday as the Clipper's departure was postponed owing to bad atmospherics.

Weather permitting, Mr. Kennedy is expected to leave to-day.—Reuter.

OUR TURN NEXT —MR. BULLITT

THE ATMOSPHERE IN AMERICA TO-DAY RESEMBLED THAT IN FRANCE IN 1938, WHEN THE FRENCH, IMPERILLED, HAD BEEN TOLD THERE WAS DANGER "BUT DID NOT FEEL DANGER," DECLARED MR. WILLIAM BULLITT, AMBASSADOR TO FRANCE, ADDRESSING A GATHERING IN NEW YORK YESTERDAY.

Mr. Bullitt said: "We must prepare now at war pace or we may be too late."

He added that the tripartite pact was a clear warning that "in the minds of the Dictators it is our turn next."—Reuter.

U.S. FACTORIES AHEAD OF SCHEDULE

Mr. Henry Morgenthau, Secretary to the Treasury, stated in Washington yesterday that nearly every American aeroplane manufacturer was either on time or ahead of schedule of delivery for both the United States Government and British orders.

As a result, he added, British officials in the United States were pleased but would still like faster production.—Reuter.

TWO TRAWLERS SUNK BY MINES

Two trawlers, Vella and Lord Camp, have been sunk by enemy mines, according to an Admiralty announcement in London yesterday.—Reuter.

CHUNGKING SEES TROUBLE?

THE CHINESE ARE WATCHING THE SITUATION IN SHANGHAI IN CONNECTION WITH THE EVACUATION OF AMERICAN NATIONALS, IT WAS STATED IN CHUNGKING.

It is noteworthy that Chinese Government banks have suspended all remittances to Shanghai. Remittances at present are only possible to Hong Kong.—Reuter.

MADAME LUPESCU RUMOURS

NO CONFIRMATION IS YET TO BE OBTAINED IN MADRID OF RUMOURS THAT MADAME LUPESCU, MISTRESS OF EX-KING CAROL OF RUMANIA, IS BEING EXTRADITED TO RUMANIA.

It is obvious, however, that the watch kept on ex-King Carol and Madame Lupescu by the Spanish police is now much stricter.

They are unable to leave the hotel at Seville where they are staying.—Reuter.

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BERLIN RAID PRESSED HOME

Military Objectives Attacked In Large Force

Extensive R.A.F. Bomb Operations

BERLIN, BOMBED AGAIN ON WEDNESDAY NIGHT FOR THE TWENTY-SECOND TIME, WAS VISITED BY R.A.F. HEAVY BOMBERS FOR NEARLY TWO HOURS.

Two of the capital's principal power stations were among targets selected. They were the Berliner electricity works, in the Charlottenberg area, and the Kilngenberg works, on the opposite side of the city.

The great railway yards at Tempelhof, Putlitz Strasse and Lehreter were also attacked.

Reaching Berlin well after midnight by dead reckoning navigation because of cloud, they were met by intense concentrated fire from batteries on the outskirts of the city and in the city itself. But neither guns nor searchlights could stop the attack.

The crew of one bomber which spent half an hour over the capital said they went straight through the outer barrage, picked up their position in the target area and got ready to bomb.

Some A.A. shells burst very close and a member of the crew who put his head out of the side-windows said he heard them go off with a "crisp, sharp explosion." Their bombs started a large fire.

Other aircraft located their objectives by the aid of parachute flares.

A squadron leader attacking one railway yard said somebody else put down a flare very nicely for them just at the crucial moment.

Straight And Level

"We carried out attacks straight and level, ignoring fire from the ground.—It was right in the centre of the city.

"About five to fifteen seconds after the bombs burst, four fires sprang up."

The pilot of another aircraft made six separate circles over Charlottenberg power station to make certain their bombs got dead over the target.

Immediately after the bombs dropped several fires broke out in the area.

Tons of high explosive bombs and hundreds of incendiaries were unloaded on dock areas and adjacent railway sidings in two separate raids, the first of half an hour and the second of one hour, on Emden.

Factory Attacked

A large factory with its own railway sidings was attacked 50 miles east of Berlin, and other objectives included railway cars at Frankfurt-on-Oder, a factory 40 miles east of Bremen where night work was in progress, the Dornier aircraft factories at Wismar, on the Baltic coast, and oil refineries at Hanover and Magdeburg, both of which had been damaged in previous raids.

Official Communique

R.A.F. bombers which attacked objectives in the Berlin area on Wednesday night caused fires and explosions, states the Air Ministry communique.

Other forces of aircraft carried out concentrated raids on railways, wharves and warehouses at the port of Emden.

Other targets in Germany and enemy occupied territory were attacked. They included oil plants at Magdeburg and Hanover, goods yards east of Berlin, near Hanover, and at Frankfurt.

Various industrial targets and railway junctions in northern and western Germany, docks at the Hook of Holland and several enemy aerodromes were also bombed.

One R.A.F. 'plane is missing from these operations.—Reuter.

DEFINITE PLAN OF ATTACK

Sirens awakened Berliners again on Wednesday night as British 'planes which earlier had visited Hamburg began to arrive over the German capital, says the Stockholm "Aftonbladet" Berlin correspondent.

"The attack clearly followed a definite plan," wires the correspondent.

"Particularly heavy bomb detonations were heard in western Berlin where it is reported numerous fires were caused.

"Berliners got their morning papers and letters late owing to the raid."—Reuter.

INCREASE IN TEA QUOTA

The International Tea Committee in London, it was announced yesterday, has decided to increase the quota by 2½ per cent for the current control year ending March 31, 1941.—Reuter.

TRAINING PARACHUTISTS IN CANADA

Parachute troops may shortly begin training in Canada "as against the time when we may take the offensive," the Canadian Air Minister revealed in Ottawa yesterday.—Reuter.

R.A.F. MEN REACH CANADA

A number of men in R.A.F. uniform arrived at an eastern Canadian port yesterday from England.—Reuter.

AIR VICE-MARSHAL BLOUNT KILLED IN CRASH

Air Vice-Marshal C. H. B. Blount has been killed in an air crash, it was announced in London yesterday.

He commanded the air component (army cooperation squadrons) of the R.A.F. in France.—Reuter.

WILLKIE REPLIES

Mr. Wendell Willkie made his reply to President Roosevelt's election campaign in a train broadcast at Harbor Creek, Pennsylvania, yesterday.

Mr. Willkie declared that if President Roosevelt did not remember his promises of to-day longer than he did those of 1932, he feared that "our boys" would soon be placed in war transports bound for some foreign shore.

Replying to President Roosevelt's claims concerning the achievements of the New Deal, Mr. Willkie asserted that national income under President Roosevelt has declined by 11 per cent., industrial production by five per cent., farm income by 20 per cent., industrial wages and salaries by 21 per cent. and dividends by 32 per cent.—Reuter.

U.S. ARMY AIR CORPS PLANS

Reorganisation of the United States Army's Air Corps to increase its number of combat groups from 25 to 54, was announced by the War Department in Washington yesterday.

It was stated that this will create a "highly mobile fighting force" capable of operating anywhere in the Western Hemisphere.—Reuter

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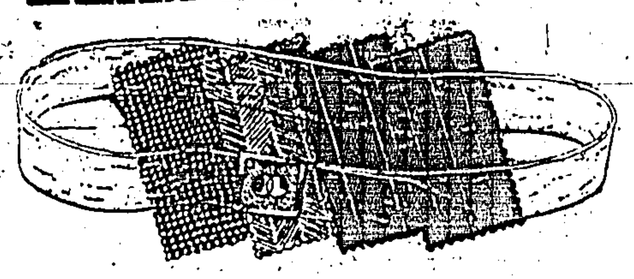

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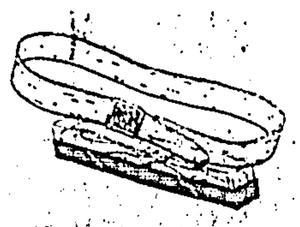

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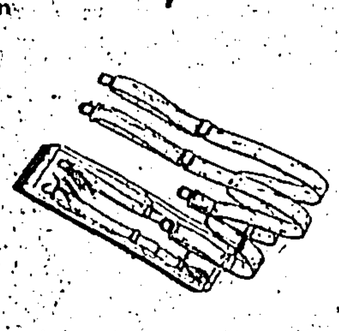

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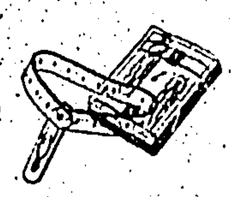

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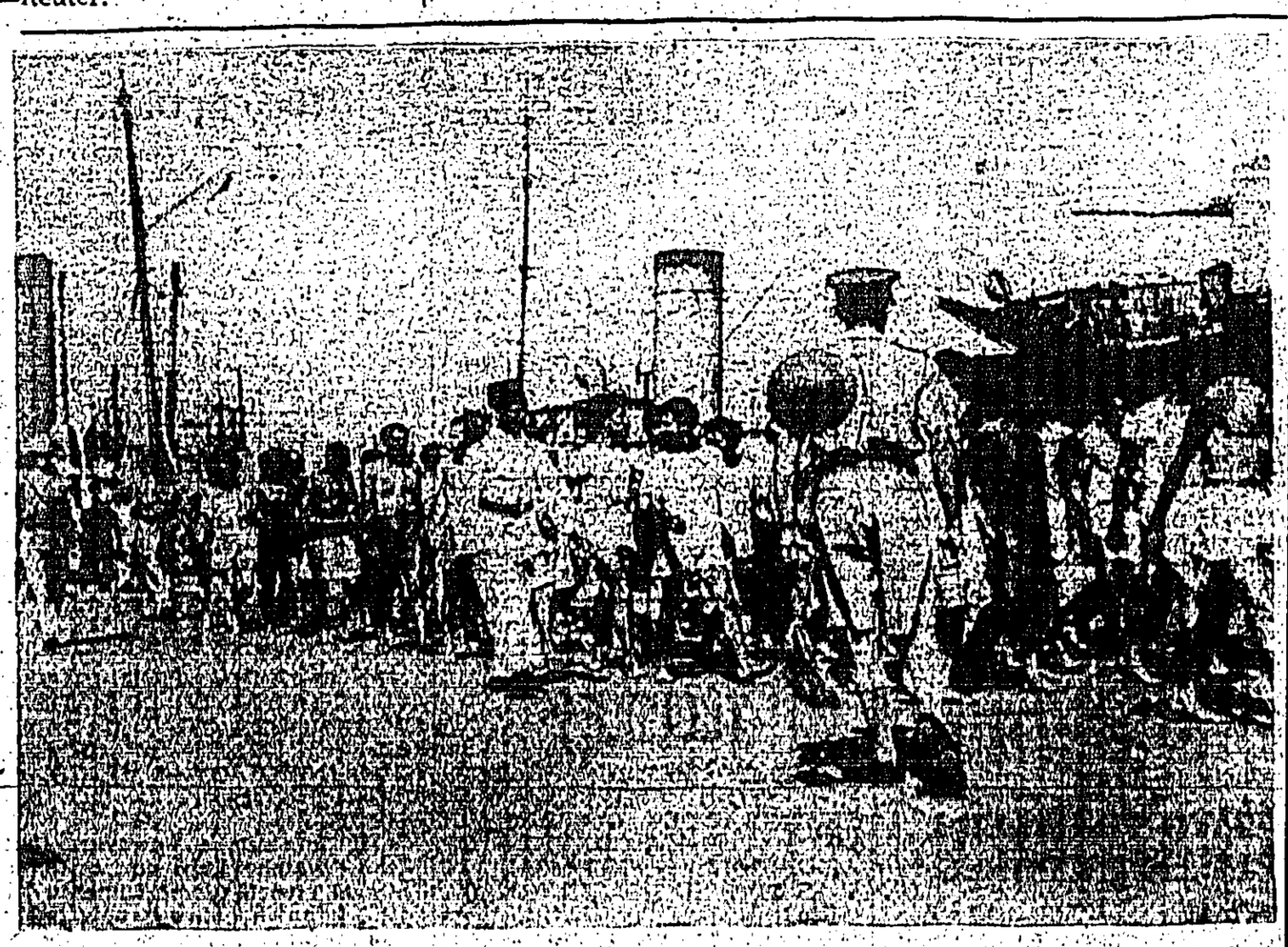

Following the sinking of the Italian six-inch gun cruiser Bartolomeo Colleoni by H.M.A.S. Sydney, in the clothes in which they were rescued, survivors of the Bartolomeo Colleoni are being marched off at Alexandria. (Copyright Fox).

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Special Role For Defiants

To Be Britain's Night Fighter

A SWIFT ADVANCE in the deadliness of British fighter 'planes as well as the early introduction of new types was foretold by Air Marshal Sir Philip Joubert in a broadcast last night.

Spitfires and Hurricanes were being made faster, were able to climb higher and were more heavily armed. Defiants were being restored to their proper role of night fighter and, with developments, should be very effective.

Several types of fighters, as big an improvement on the Spitfires and Hurricanes as these were on their predecessors, were on the stocks.

Dealing with the R.A.F. bombing offensive, Air Marshal Joubert said:

"We can hope from now onwards steadily to increase our pressure on Germany and her ally and by next Spring, when the flow of American aircraft becomes a flood, we shall return to Germany with sevenfold interest the bombing that we have had to endure."

New R.A.F. bombers, he said, would be as good as the new fighters.—Reuter.

R.A.F. 'PLANES TORPEDO SUPPLY SHIPS

The R.A.F. have successfully torpedoed two enemy supply ships in the North Sea, and another enemy vessel was heavily machine-gunned.

This was officially announced in London last evening. The operations were carried out by aircraft of the Coastal Command on Wednesday. —Reuter.

JOCKEY CLUB'S WAR DONATIONS

The Special Sweep on the Kwangtung Handicap, 1940, resulted in a surplus of $61,902.53. This has been divided between the "South China Morning Post" War Fund and the British Fund for Relief of Distress in China.

The sum in question brings the total amount contributed by this Club to War Funds up to $259,402.

The Stewards have decided that the surplus on the Special Sweep at the Annual Race Meeting, 1941, which will be on the Rooty Hill Derby, will be allocated to British Funds and the British Fund for Relief of Distress in China.

EASING PRICES ON STOCK MARKET

Home rails were still to the forefront on the London Stock Exchange yesterday but profit-taking reduced earlier gains. Industrials displayed several good spots but generally prices tended to ease. Gilt-edged and Kaffirs were better supported towards the close. Wall Street was firm.—Reuter.

SUMMER TIME IN WINTER

Summer Time in Britain will be continued all through the winter, the Home Secretary announced in the House of Commons yesterday. — Reuter.

FELL OUT OF BED: KILLED

While asleep yesterday morning, a 73-year-old Chinese rolled off the bed and fractured his skull. He died later in the Queen Mary Hospital.

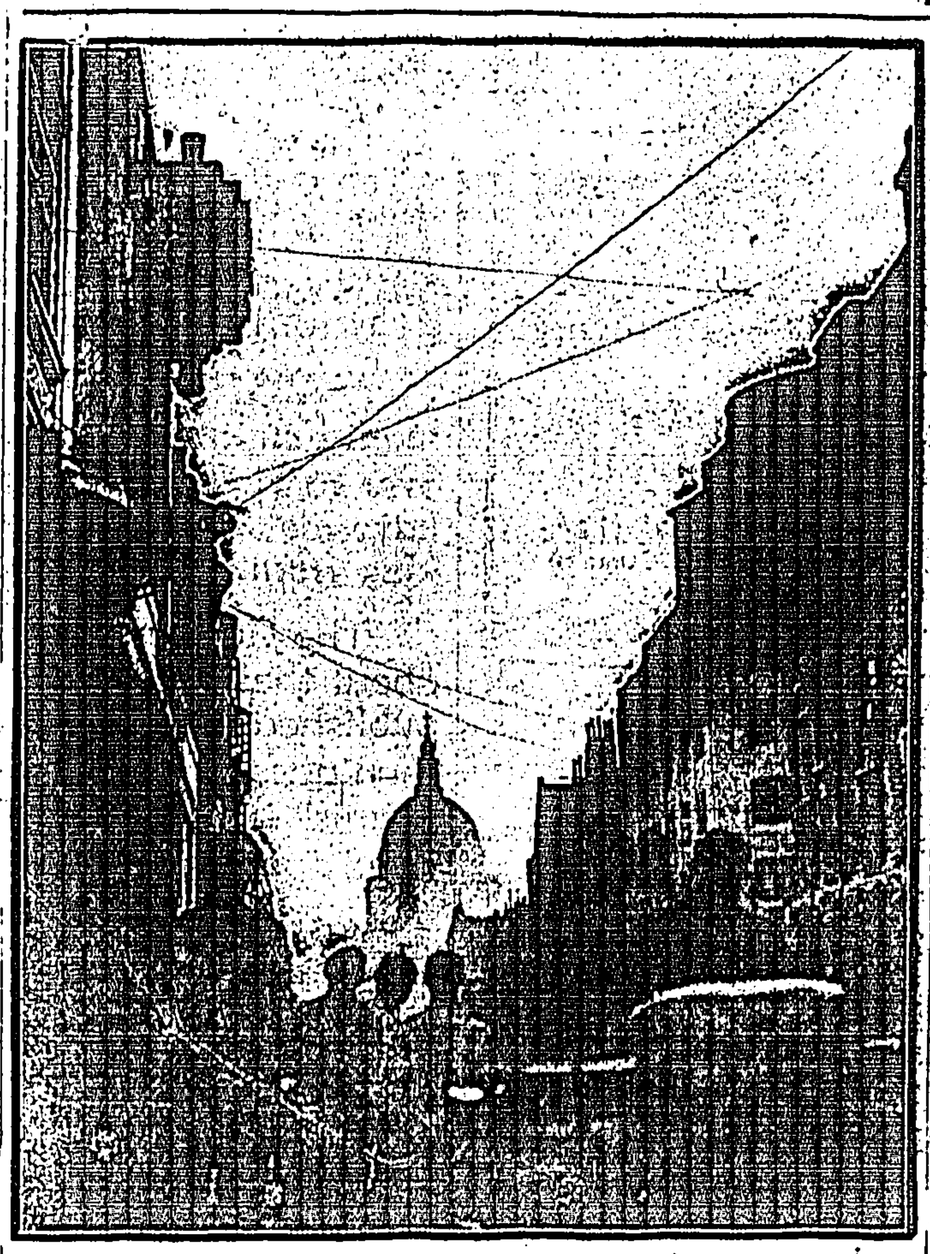
PLIGHT OF BRITONS ON RIVIERA

QUESTIONED IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS ABOUT STEPS BEING TAKEN TO HELP THE 2,000 BRITISH SUBJECTS STILL ON THE FRENCH RIVIERA, MANY OF WHOM ARE DESTITUTE, MR. HAROLD BUTLER, UNDER-SECRETARY FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS, SAID THAT U.S. CONSULS IN UNOCCUPIED FRANCE HAVE BEEN ASKED TO ADVANCE UP TO £10 A MONTH TO BRITISH SUBJECTS IN NEED.

They have also been asked to advance travelling expenses to those people who are able to reach the Spanish frontier.

On the frontier, British consular officers will give them further help.

Mr. Butler said that except for men of military age he knew of nothing to prevent British subjects from returning via Lisbon, although the journey back from France must necessarily be an arduous one. — Reuter.



City workers were treated to a thrill during an air raid when British fighters went into action over the City. Here are people watching in Fleet Street looking towards St. Paul's (Copyright, Fox).

EMPIRE'S NEW AIR FORCE

THE FIRST GROUP OF OBSERVERS OF THE BRITISH COMMONWEALTH TRAINING PLAN HAVE NOW GRADUATED AND WERE AWARDED THEIR BADGES YESTERDAY IN TORONTO BY MR. JAMES DUNCAN, CANADIAN DEPUTY MINISTER FOR AIR.

Addressing the men, Mr. Duncan said they were "forerunners of that great host of young men whose ever-growing strength will turn the tide of victory."

The first groups of pilots and air gunners will complete their training shortly.—Reuter.

RETURN TO SPAIN

Senor de Muguiro, Spanish Minister to Hungary, has returned to Spain.—Reuter.

H.M.S. GLORIOUS SINKING DISCLOSURES

A CONSIDERABLE number of survivors of the aircraft-carrier H.M.S. Glorious, which was sunk in an action in the North Sea in June, remained afloat on rafts for some time while British aircraft and ships passed close to them without seeing them.

This was disclosed by Sir Victor Warrender, Parliamentary Secretary to the Admiralty, when answering a question in the House of Commons yesterday.

Sir Victor explained that for a completely inexplicable cause any signals made by Glorious at the time were not intercepted.

As the air officer commanding Glorious went down with the ship much of what happened must of necessity remain a mystery.—Reuter.

ABE RETURNING TO JAPAN

General Abe, Japan's Special Envoy to Wang Ching-wei's puppet regime in Nanking, left Shanghai for Japan yesterday morning.—Our Own Correspondent.

REBUILDING OF BOMBED BRITAIN

Government plans to repair the damage done by Nazi bombs in raids on Britain were revealed yesterday in the House of Commons by Mr. C. R. Attlee, Lord Privy Seal, when he explained the duties of the new Ministry of Works and Supplies.

Sir John Reith, head of the Ministry, will decide which buildings are to be repaired first, and will also be responsible for control of central purchases of building materials where necessary, as well as to institute research into such problems as the use of substitutes for any building materials short in supply.

The Ministry will take over the whole organisation of the Office of Works and the building work of the Ministry of Supply, including the approval of plans for any new factories.

Great Problems—And Opportunities

Only highly specialised work — such as the building of aerodromes —will be controlled by the Service departments.

Mr. Attlee said that it was clear that reconstruction after the war raises great problems, and affords great opportunities. The Ministry will accordingly consult all those concerned and report to the Cabinet. — Reuter.

GERMAN EXODUS

All Germans have been removed from Bessarabia with the departure of the last batch of 3,000 Germans, according to the German radio yesterday. A total of 90,000 Germans was transferred. —Reuter.

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KEEN SPECULATION ON HITLER'S TREK ACROSS FRANCE

MARSHAL PETAIN'S reply to the German demands was expected to be handed over to Hitler last night. He is believed to have met Hitler, while Der Fuehrer was trekking from the Spanish frontier.

The Germans are being curiously silent about these talks and the German press has published nothing more than the official communiques. Similar reserve is shown on the Spanish side, although General Franco has arrived back in Madrid.

The general impression of Hitler's trek across France to the Spanish frontier is that the talks with France and Spain have similar objects in view — and that Germany is not satisfied with Italy's support and is searching for fresh allies.

Probably Dr. Goebbels will have the task of starting a new propaganda campaign which will attempt to persuade the French and Spaniards that Germany is bound to win the war and they had better book their seats in the "New Order" early.

Evidence is accumulating to show that Ribbentrop's behaviour during Senor Suner's visit to Berlin was not calculated to win Spain's support and that this is possibly the reason why Hitler had to make the journey himself.

Bases Wanted

The Swiss press has been discussing the line which the German demands may take if Hitler fails to persuade either Spain or France to declare war against Britain.

There is an apparent desire to get the use of naval and air bases in Spain, France and French Africa.

This seems to be an alternative on which the Germans can fall back, and at present there is no reason to suppose other than that they are trying to get more substantial support, in particular the use of the French Navy. — Reuter.

ZANZIBAR MOBILE CANTEENS

MORE WAR GIFTS CONTINUE TO COME IN FROM THE EMPIRE.

The Central Committee of the Uganda War Fund has sent £12,000 to Lord Beaverbrook, Minister of Aircraft Production, to buy fighter 'planes.

The Sudan War 'planes Fund has sent in £10,000, while Mr. Oswald Finney, of Alexandria, has sent in a further £10,000 as a personal gift from himself.

From Nairobi comes news that the people of Zanzibar have sent £500 for mobile canteens which are to bear the name of "Zanzibar."

They have sent the money because they are "stirred by London's magnificent defence and steadfastness."

The master of a Danish ship has sent £100 to a British shipping company, together with a request that arrangements be made for him to pay £5 a month from his wages "as a little help towards your famous Spitfires."

The Sultan of Selangor has sent in Straits Dollars the equivalent of £886. 18s. 10d. collected from Malays and other Moslems in his country for the benefit of earthquake sufferers in Turkey.

The money will be remitted to the Turkish Government through the good offices of the British Ambassador. — Reuter.

GLASGOW EXPLOSION DISASTER

One of Glasgow's oldest industrial establishments — a starch works — was destroyed by an explosion and fire yesterday, with a heavy casualty list.

Substantial improvements were in progress when an explosion wrecked the works, windows were smashed over a wide area and the roof of a neighbouring flour mill blown off.

A hundred A.R.P. workers assisted regular firemen.

Ten are believed to have been killed and 28 injured taken to hospital.—Reuter.

SMIGLY-RYDZ ARRESTED IN RUMANIA

Marshal Smigly-Rydz, Commander-in-Chief of the Polish army when war broke out, has been arrested in Rumania, according to Rome radio yesterday.

The Marshal was interned in Rumania on his arrival there in September, 1939. — Reuter.

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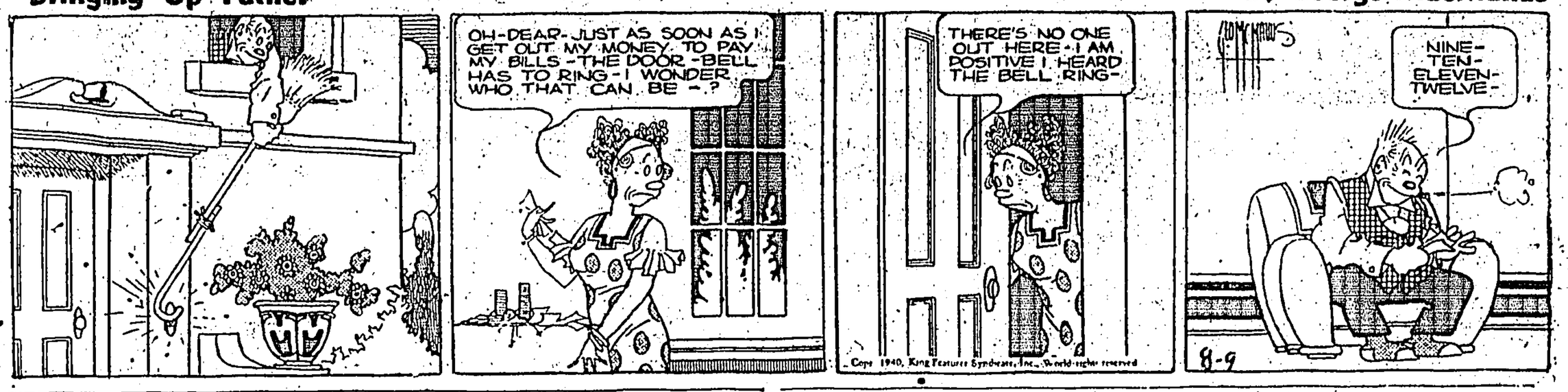

"FIFTH COLUMN" METHODS IN THE U.S.

A LOOSE-LEAF brochure entitled "Footprints of the Trojan Horse," describing how totalitarian nations seek to undermine democracy in the United States and how other nations have been conquered by the development of disunity through propaganda, has been released in New York by the Citizenship Educational Service, Inc., of which Theodore Roosevelt is Chairman.

The three effects of totalitarianism are the destruction of private enterprise and the enslavement of labour, the destruction of civil rights, and the stamping out of Christianity, the pamphlet, generously sprinkled with cartoons, declares. It tells a story of intolerance, treachery and mad ambition on the part of the German, Russian, Italian and Japanese dictatorships.

The pamphlet declares, however, that "no man or group of men can confuse, divide and conquer America if we are united in purpose."

"The traitors to democracy who seek to stir up panic and internal strife by setting neighbour against neighbour, group against group, religion against religion, cannot disrupt a Nation united in its democratic faith," it continues.

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H.K. JUNK'S JINX VOYAGE

After being held up by a Japanese trawler and having part of the cargo and the cannons dumped into the water at Ta Kan, junk No. T4188H, with Wong Yau, 19, in charge, was later robbed by 50 junk pirates, according to a report made to the police last night. The cargo of wax and salt was valued at $1,840.

STARTLING DROP IN TEMPERATURE

An amazing drop in temperature was recorded in Hong Kong last night, with no less than 31 degrees Fahrenheit difference between the maximum and minimum temperatures of the day.

The winter now seems to have really arrived, with the Observatory forecasting that to-day will be "considerably cooler."

The maximum temperature recorded at the Observatory yesterday was 88 deg. Fah., while the minimum last night was only 57 deg. Fah.!

At 10 o'clock this morning, the thermometer was still down in the dumps, recording only two degrees above yesterday's minimum.

With another two months to go, Hong Kong is now only some six inches off the all-time rain record set in 1889 of 119.715 inches. Total rainfall since January 1, 1940, was 113.77 inches, as compared with an average of 81.59 inches—and it was still drizzling!

CLEARING UP DEBRIS IN LONDON

Civilian labour rather than military will be used for clearance and demolition in London following air raids.

The Home Secretary, Mr. Herbert Morrison, made this clear replying to a Commons question yesterday.

"I am most grateful to the military authorities for the timely assistance they have been able to afford in meeting the urgent problem of dealing with air raid damage in the London region.

The aim of the Department is to mobilise a sufficient body of civilian labour to keep pace with any damage that may be caused but in order to deal with arrears accumulated meantime, such assistance as can be afforded by the Auxiliary Military Pioneer Corps is most welcome.

"I shall be glad to take full advantage of such a system as the Army authorities are in a position to render without prejudice to the primary role of the Army."

Mr. Morrison added: "We are acting on the principle that in so far as civilian labour is available that will be used but if that proves insufficient we will not hesitate to ask the military authorities to help us."—British Wireless.

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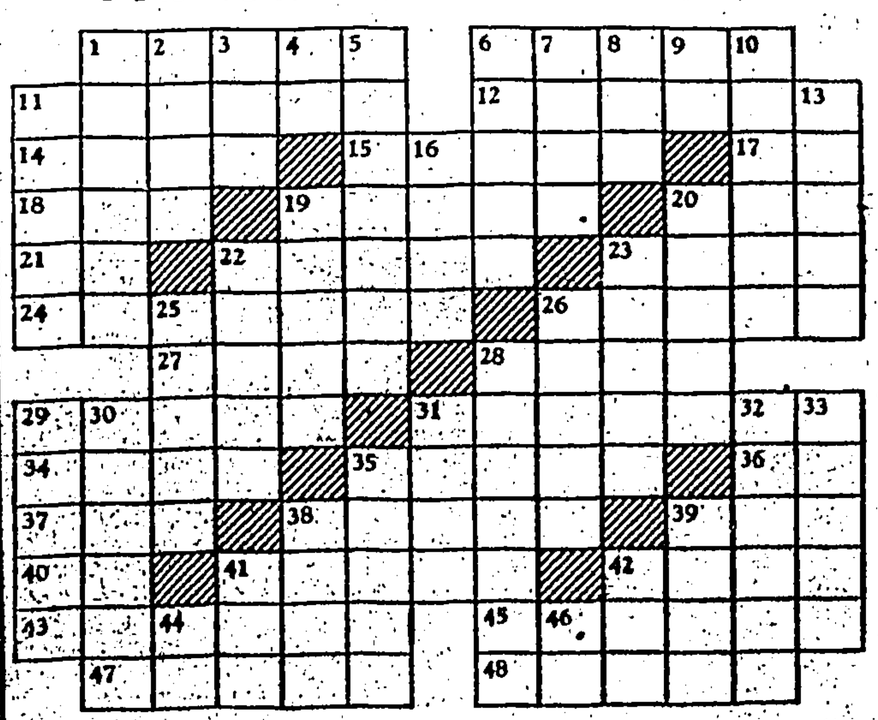

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23 Music: concluding passage
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26 Portion of grain to be ground
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19 Dreamers
20 To palm off
22 Stale
23 Hag
25 Long-legged bird
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29 Minute organism
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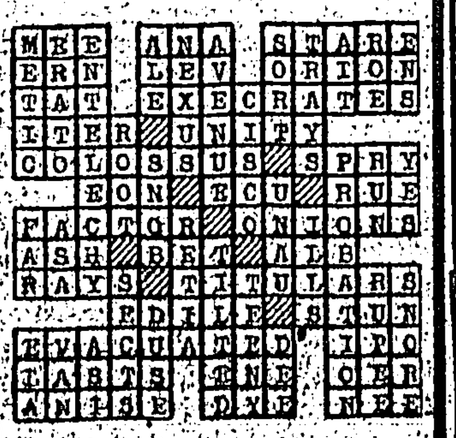

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NEWS FROM CANADA

CANADA'S 'PLANE OUTPUT NEARLY 360 A MONTH

EARLY IN 1941 Canadian aircraft plants will be turning out 360 military aeroplanes a month, according to a recent statement of Munitions and Supply Minister C. D. Howe. Already 500 of 3,800 aeroplanes on order have been delivered by Canadian plants which are making every type of 'plane from elementary trainers to twin-engined bombers.

When war broke out Canada's aircraft industry was working on trial orders for the Canadian and British Governments. The few plants in the industry, scattered from coast to coast, were just beginning to expand for a wartime industry.

Canada, which supplied close to 3,000 aeroplanes in the First World War, had only the skeleton of an aircraft industry a year ago.

Aeroplanes had always been imported from the United States and Great Britain, with only a few private 'planes, a few bush freighters and flying boats made in the Dominion under licence from American and British companies.

To-day Canada's aircraft industry has rapidly expanded. Over 17,000 persons are now engaged in the industry, according to Minister Howe. And the Canadian Government itself has gone into the aircraft manufacturing business to supply basic bomber types needed for the British Commonwealth Air Training Plan.

These 'planes Great Britain was to have supplied, but after the Flanders disaster it was felt that these would not be forthcoming and Canada set up its own publicly-owned aircraft production corporation.

Since then Britain has sent a large number of these 'planes to Canada, but production has started and the first of the 1,500 Canadian-built twin-engined Avro Anson bombers will be ready for use before the end of 1940. American engines have been imported for them.

Eight Canadian aircraft companies have in hand orders for approximately $125,000,000, for 3,800 aeroplanes, less engines. Some parts are made by other than aircraft companies, and some of the companies are only working on British Government orders. Instruments and propellers are still imported but are expected to be soon made in Canada. All engines are imported, primarily from the United States.

Various Types

Aeroplanes being made in Canada now include Fleet primary trainers, de Havilland Tiger Moth primary trainers, Fleet 60 advanced trainers, Noorduyn Norseman radio and observer trainers, North American Harvard advanced trainers, Avro Anson twin-engined bomber trainers, and for fighting Westland Lysanders, Hurricanes, Bolingbroke bombers, Hampden bombers, Stranrear flying boats.

So satisfactory has Canada's rapidly expanding aircraft industry proved that the British Government recently gave one company an order for 600 Hurricane fighters, this company having completed a trial order for these 'planes.

This is the biggest single order placed so far by the British Government with a Canadian aeroplane manufacturer.

While the 360 'planes a month which will be turned out in a few months from now is by no means the extent to which the Canadian industry can expand, it is a better showing for the industry than was thought possible earlier this year.

CUNARDERS HIT BY AERIAL BOMBS

The British Liners Georgic, 27,-759 tons, and Franconia, 20,175 tons, have been severely damaged by German aerial bombs, marine authorities in New York report.

The Cunard ships, called to service as troopships and supply vessels during the Norwegian campaign are now undergoing repairs, these sources said.

MINISTER HAS LOTS OF COMPANY

JAY PIERREPONT MOFFAT, NEWLY APPOINTED UNITED STATES MINISTER TO CANADA, HAS A LOT MORE DIPLOMATIC COLLEAGUES AT OTTAWA THAN THE FIRST UNITED STATES MINISTER TO CANADA HAD IN 1927.

Formerly, most countries dealt diplomatically with Canada through the British ambassador. But the United States decided in 1927 that her best customer and northern neighbour should be served with a diplomatic representative of her own, and sent William Phillips, now Ambassador to Italy. Canada, in turn, sent Vincent Massey to be Canadian Minister at Washington. He is now High Commissioner at London.

To-day not only is the United States represented at Ottawa, but France, Belgium, Netherlands and Japan also have ministers plenipotentiary, while the British Nations have High Commissioners, similar to ministers. Great Britain, South Africa, Eire, Australia and New Zealand are thus represented at Ottawa.

Social life of this international set in Ottawa revolves in Winter around functions at Rideau Hall, residence of Canada's Governor-General, and in Summer around the Citadel on the heights of Quebec City, where Great Britain captured Canada from France in 1759, now the Governor-General's Summer residence. Some of the diplomats in normal years use the Summer season to return to their homelands, others scatter to vacation resorts.

Social amenities by the international representatives are observed by dinners at the official residences of these Ministers and High Commissioners, or at functions at Ottawa's conservative Rideau Club, at swank Chateau Laurier Hotel, at the homes of Ottawa's socially prominent in wooded suburban Rockcliffe (where the United States official residence is located), or at the smart Seigneury Club, halfway between Ottawa and Montreal, where many socially prominent Americans as well as Canadians, have their own lodges for Winter skiing and Summer hunting and fishing.

The diplomatic corps at Ottawa turns out in gold embroidered court dress for the opening of Parliament, for State dinners at Rideau Hall, highlights in the Ottawa social calendar.

The United States and France are the only countries that have built their own legations at Ottawa. The United States Legation is on Wellington Street, directly opposite the main entrance to Canada's Parliament buildings. Other countries maintain their legations in office buildings or in the official residences, while Belgium maintains its legation in Montreal, 100 miles away.

The United States Legation building is strictly an office building, housing the various departments of the United States Government at Ottawa. The staff, from the Minister down, live elsewhere.

The official residence of the Minister is one of the large homes in Ottawa, located on wooded acreage with large gardens.

CANADA'S WHEAT QUOTA

The increased quota of grain which the Canadian Wheat Board has agreed to accept from prairie province farmers will help in some measure to tide the agricultural West over the winter months.

This is the opinion expressed in Ottawa although the Government may not likely be entirely relieved of the need of arranging for advances on grain stored on farms. The Board will now be taking eight instead of five bushels of wheat per seeded acre, and will in the customary way pay the farmer on the basis of the guaranteed price of 70 cents per bushel for Number One Northern wheat, delivered at the head of the Great Lakes or Vancouver.

There is no longer any quota on deliveries of oats or barley, while there has never been any restriction on flax and rye. Taking wheat alone into consideration, and it is of course the main cereal product of the West, the farmer will have from $1.50 upward additional cash immediately available for each acre seeded in wheat.

This will help to pay living expenses and pressing debts of the farmers who have been favoured by nature with the second most bountiful crop in the history of the West, but who have seen their European markets closed off by the steel shutter of war.

The Wheat Board, however says it cannot guarantee immediate storage facilities for all the wheat it agrees to take, but promises to use its utmost effort to make the space available as soon as possible.

The question still to be decided is what concession can be made to the farmers for storing the wheat and what advances if any are to be made on this farm stored grain.

It is customary in harvest time in the West to carry through threshing without the imposition of liens. Debts for threshing, taxes, repairs, etc., in many cases are paid after November 1.

It has been suggested that the good offices of the provincial Governments might be brought to bear on negotiations between farmers and their creditors during the harvesting operations.

The British have in storage in Canada about 170,000,000 bushels of wheat. At this time because of the aerial battle they are importing flour from Canada rather than wheat.

NEW SHIPS BOUGHT BY U.S. NAVY

Maritime circles report the United States Navy has purchased three new cargo vessels to augment its growing fleet of freight carriers, hospital and troops ships and other auxiliaries.

Officials of the Moore-McCormack Lines, Inc., confirmed reports that the Navy had negotiated for three of its ships, but withheld details. The three vessels were reported to be the Donald McKay, the Mormacyork and the Mormachawk.

At the same time, Great Britain was reported seeking American freighters, preferably those of around 8,000 dead-weight tons, to offset its shipping losses at the hands of the Germans.

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PACIFIC STABILITY

The recent Washington conversations between Lord Lothian, Mr. Casey, and Mr. Cordell Hull and Colonel Knox's announcements on American preparedness, are promising signs of the development of mutual interest and support in the common task of maintaining stability in the Pacific. After the momentous and far-reaching agreement made between Great Britain and the United States for the defence of the Atlantic, it was only natural that Americans should turn their thoughts to the Pacific. For the moment they can feel that the immediate task of stemming the wave of European aggression belongs to the British, now that the lines of American support have been laid down and that good progress is being made in forwarding assistance. There is evidence in the United States of growing concern over the dangerous situation in the Pacific, however, and it is only natural that, while a great effort is being launched to strengthen the forward bases of the United States, negotiations should simultaneously be carried on with other Powers interested in the building of a barrier against naked aggression. Though it is hardly to be expected that such discussions should result in a basic agreement, unless the course of events in Asia should make it imperative, the steady development of Anglo-American cooperation is revealed by the mere fact that such discussions should take place, involving as they do the possibility of Singapore, and presumably Australian ports, being placed at the disposal of the United States fleet. Only sheer desperate opportunism could lead Japan to disregard the clear warnings that have been uttered.

JAPANESE BRAND

One by one the foreign experts who educated Japan in all other aspects of modern civilisation have been superseded by Japanese; now the same process is to be repeated in religious affairs. Not only are foreign bishops to be dispensed with but foreign monetary aid as well. In addition there is a plan to combine all Japanese Christians in a Japanese Church which is to exemplify "Japanese Christianity." Such a project has been talked about for years, and it is doubtful if anything more than a loose federation of Churches could be brought into existence. But whatever happens in the field of organisation, doctrinally there will be strong attempts to produce a "Japanese Christianity." This means a greater approximation between Christianity and Shinto. The influence of the Church would be made in every way the instrument of State policy. What will happen now is uncertain, but there are those well acquainted with Japan who think that, left to themselves, the Japanese may possibly find a Church organisation and a method of evangelisation which are both in line with historic Christianity and at the same time more successful in their appeal to the Japanese mind than anything which has been imported from abroad. It must be admitted that the chances of this do not seem very great.

The Humbug From Hamburg

By Gerald Dillon

The "Old School Tie" joke still thrives and enjoys an outing every now and then from the Haw-Haws and Hee-Haws of Hamburg and Humbug. Myself, I am never very certain whether the folk who make these jests about the old school tie really know anything about old schools at all.

Speaking literally, I have, in life, met few people who actually wore their old school tie, except, possibly, in such cases as when it was a very new school tie.

The English Public School is, of course, a very human institution, and, as such, liable to many errors. Behind it all, however, is the laudable idea of providing a liberal education, which means, essentially, education for the idea of being a freeman, as opposed to the condition of being a slave. According to the Greek conception, the slave's job in life was—just to work; while the freeman's job was to be the best kind of man possible. Nowadays, everybody has to work, more or less, but some people can afford to have a shot at becoming the best possible kind of man before they start working.

To produce that best possible kind of man is the object of what we might call "the old school." Naturally the old school fails in many cases to produce this result, but then it is a purely human institution dealing with ordinary human material.

The English Public Schools are no more public than a workhouse is a place where people work. Properly, they should be called English Private Schools. The misleading term ("Public") dates from the time Monastic schools prepared boys for the Church while the Public schools prepared boys for public life.....

These schools in England vary in size and importance from those housing about 100 boys, to those which accommodate as many as 1,100. They are mainly boarding schools, though practically all are open to day boys. Perhaps about 50, beginning with Eton and Harrow, would form the heart of the English upper and upper middle class system of education. But there would also be at least 150 other schools which would conform to the definition of "Public School." All follow, more or less, the same methods and are animated by the same aims and principles.

The cost of sending a boy as a boarder to one of these schools would range from £100 to as much as £400 a year. One or two, however, such as Christ's Hospital, provide free education to all but a few.

Many of these schools are old, but a few are quite modern—old in the sense that Eton dates back to 1440 and new in the sense that some few were started comparatively recently. Also, they are exclusive in the sense that they provide education for some 60,000 boys only, which is not a very large proportion of England's youth. It is also a fact, of course, that entrance to such schools is very often, but not exclusively, a privilege of birth and wealth. The majority of Cabinet Ministers in Britain, the great proportion of the Bench of Bishops, and something like 152 out of every 200 Civil servants earning over £1,000 a year have usually been to Public schools. On the other hand, Ramsay Macdonald, Disraeli, Asquith, Lloyd George, and others who have risen to the highest positions in Britain, were not Public school products.

Though many Public schools are centuries old, it is quite a modern idea for a well-to-do father to think of sending his son to one of them as part of his duty. In days gone by the average country squire thought the local grammar school good enough for his son, and the sons of the wealthy were educated mostly by private tutors. It is also quite a modern practice to talk of "an old Public school boy"—as if that conveyed the idea of a perfectly well recognised type belonging to a definite social caste. No greater fallacy could exist, for not only do Public schools in England differ from each other in respect of the boys who attend them, but even boys who go to the same school come from widely different social circles and homes.

Breeding And Manners

The Public school spirit is a definite thing, though hard to define, and it offers to the world certain qualities from which we might all learn.

The chief aim is that the school should turn out men with a strong sense of public and of private duty, and with a strong inclination to public service. It also betokens a due sense of the importance of what we might call good breeding and manners We recognise the importance of breeding in horses, sheep, cows, and poultry. Surely there is nothing amiss in recognising its importance in the human sphere as well? And though a man may be "the tenth transmitter of a foolish face" he can at least redeem that condition by behaving in an agreeable fashion, though an inverted form of snobbery would have us believe that all this is "side." It is "side" when it is a mere adornment, but where habit makes it second nature, it becomes natural.

The war, perhaps, will change the Public schools. One hopes that they will become less exclusive, if only for the reason that the charge that they are exclusive is a sort of back-handed compliment. One hopes also that, because the average Public schoolman does so many things well, he will be trained in the future to do them better.

Nevertheless, the totalitarian system and the idea of a liberal education for the freeman are irreconcilable. The Nazi ideal in education is to turn out men and women with no more individuality than a tank, a machine-gun, or a high-explosive bomb, though they have special training schools for leaders. In Britain, selection for leadership is based on a much wider franchise. Any one of the hundreds of boys at Eton to-day may be the Prime Minister of to-morrow; but the Prime Minister may equally be a product of a board school at Bermondsey or the free school at Worplespoon-under-Moss.

The old school tie gibe on German lips is humbug, for, though the O.S.T. might occasionally carry a man into a position for which without the tie he would stand as much chance as a man without a shirt, the party membership in Germany (i.e., membership of the one and only party) is a similar lever with far less guarantee that the man wearing the Nazi badge will be the most suitable man for the job.

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BEAUFORTS IN ACTION OFF FRISIANS

Beaufort aircraft of the Coastal Command on Wednesday torpedoed two German supply ships in convoy off the Frisian Islands.

The Beauforts came down out of the sun almost invisible to look-out men aboard the German vessels. There were great explosions as their torpedoes struck the ships.

The Beaufort's pilots, under heavy anti-aircraft fire from the rest of the convoy and escort vessels, saw a ship of 4,000 tons sinking by the stern.

Another of 2,000 tons was going down so fast that her decks were already awash.

Another German convoy was attacked off Trondheim, this time by a Hudson of the Coastal Command.

The Hudson pilot could just discern the outlines of three ships in the gathering darkness. He dived over them machine-gunning until only a hundred feet above the decks.

He and his gunners put 4,000 rounds into the ships before resuming their patrol. — British Wireless.

WIDOW FOUND MURDERED

A widow, Ho Sau-chun, 37 years of age, was found murdered at 6.30 a.m. to-day on the ground floor of No. 54, Wuhu Street in Hunghom.

The woman owned a rice shop and was last seen alive at midnight. The inmates of the place have been detained for questioning. The woman succumbed to multiple stab wounds.

M. GUTT, BELGIAN FINANCE MINISTER, SPOKE YESTERDAY OF THE POSITION OF THE BELGIAN GOVERNMENT IN BRITAIN, SAYING THAT THE ARRIVAL IN ENGLAND OF M. PIERLOT AND M. SPAAK MADE A FULL STATEMENT POSSIBLE FOR THE FIRST TIME.

Recapitulating the events which culminated in the fall of France, M. Gutt reminded his listeners that King Leopold, as a prisoner of war, had caused the executive powers normally vested in him to pass to the cabinet.

"No armistice convention, much less a peace treaty," M. Gutt said, "was concluded with Germany."

Relating how there were between two and three hundred thousand Belgians of military age in France and that Belgian war material and rolling stock was in that country, M. Gutt spoke of the efforts made to continue the struggle at the side of France against the aggressor.

M. Gutt continued: "The situation is as follows. A number of ministers have relinquished their posts. Others are here in London. They are the Prime Minister, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Minister of Colonies and Minister of Finance.

We are exercising, in full and alone, governmental authority. We are the only legal Government of Belgium and nobody can, according to our Constitution, set up another either in occupied Belgium or elsewhere.

Aim Of Government

What is the aim of our Government? The liberation of Belgium and the liberation of our King, who is a prisoner of war. The restoration of our country's territorial integrity and independence.

The Prime Minister of Britain, speaking on June 6 in the Commons, stated it was also 'the unswerving aim of the British Government to secure for Belgium effective restoration of her freedom and independence.'

No Belgian will ever forget how, in the early morning of May 10, when Brussels was already being bombed by German aeroplanes without our having received any ultimatum or declaration of war, our call to Britain to fulfil her guarantee met with an unreserved response.

Full Agreement

Nor shall we ever forget the gallantry with which the British Army fought with us in the Battle of Belgium.

However hard may be the trials still to come we know we shall live them through and when we say we will not give up fighting until Belgian soil is free again we are voicing the unanimous will of both countries. To attain this aim we will act in full agreement with the British Government."

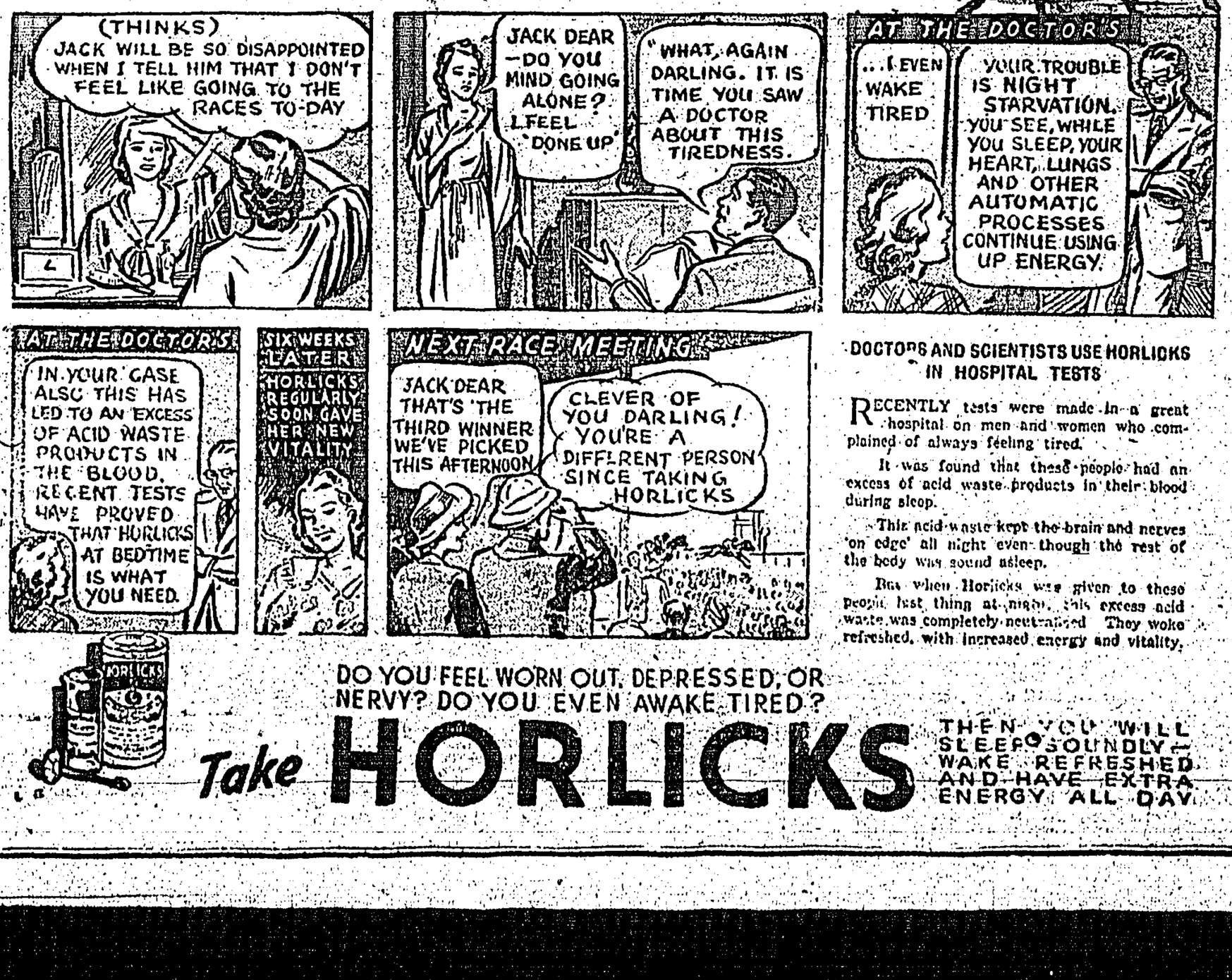
Free Belgians were determined to take full share in military action against Germany and he told how officers and men were coming to Britain at the risk of their lives. Their spirit was magnificent and he told how a Belgian unit was already charged with the defence of a small sector in England and were here with their colours proudly flying with the Union Jack.

Hand-in-Hand

The Minister also spoke of the gallant Belgian pilots serving with the R.A.F., some of whom had been killed in the great air battle, and he told of "many more eagerly awaiting in training camps the moment when they will be sent out to join in the battle."

The Minister concluded: "Belgium is to-day the same Belgium which fought 26 years ago hand in hand with Britain. We are fighting again the same enemy. We are fighting him again hand in hand and we are going to win again."—British Wireless.

"STAY-AT-HOME WIFE" "missed all the fun."



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SIR CHARLES HARINGTON'S DEATH

SIR CHARLES HARINGTON GOVERNOR OF GIBRALTAR FROM 1933 TO 1938, DIED YESTERDAY AT CHELTENHAM AGED 68.

He will be chiefly remembered for his important work in the last war as junior partner in the Plumer — Harington combination which won glory in its command of the Second Army and by his courage and resource during the dangerous situation at Chanak in 1922 when he commanded the Allied forces at Constantinople.

Subsequently appointed G.O.C. Northern Command, he later went to Quetta as G.O.C. Western Command in India. Then he was appointed to the Aldershot Command and finally Gibraltar.—British Wireless.

THE CHINA MAIL

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Softball Opens

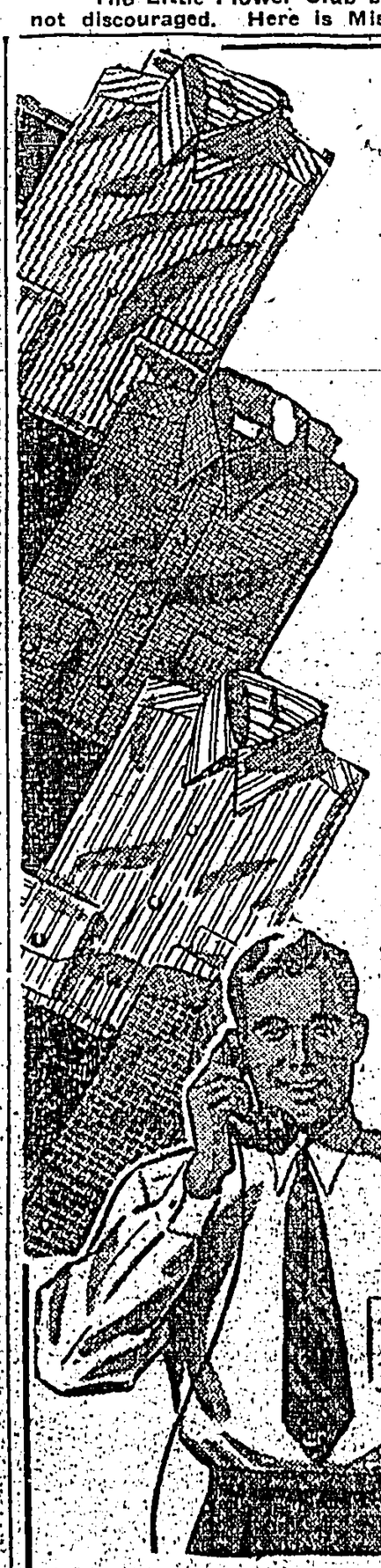
The softball season has got off the mark with more enthusiasm, if possible, than ever. Taken at the Kowloon Football Club on Sunday, this photo shows Miss H. Soares, of the Panthers, at bat.

The Little Flower Club badly beaten in their first game were not discouraged. Here is Miss Foster completing a run.

Some of the large crowd which filled the stand at the Kowloon Football Club on Sunday for the opening league games of the softball season.

Miss Marques, of the Panthers, scoring with ease in Sunday's game.

Watch is being kept on stretches of the River Severn by members of the Home Guard, the "Cotswold Sea Cadets." Photo shows a patrol. (Copyright, Fox.)



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SHORT STORY

HUSBAND AND WIFE

By Ian Sullington

The wealthy widow felt she had never been so happy in her life. Then came a shock. And no one could understand her babbling, "Oh, it's all going to start again," when she recovered.

BLANCHE knew that in a few hours she would be a widow.

She stared at herself in the mirror. The face of a hard, embittered woman looked back at her. The beauty and the youth of the girl who had married Anthony Maitland twenty years ago had gone forever. To-day no one could realise that once she had starred in the famous Cafe Rouge cabarets.

Blanche turned away. Not to be released from the bargain until now, when there were grey streaks in her hair and savage lines at the corners of her mouth and eyes . . . Life had played a pretty cynical joke on her!

For she had been twenty-five when she married Anthony. The year after the War. She could have chosen a husband from scores of men—officers back from France, middle-aged business men who had made money . . .

But Anthony Maitland, sixty-two-year-old millionaire, had seemed the best opportunity, especially as he had a weak heart as well as his fortune.

She had seen herself one of England's richest widows before she was thirty. Jewels, clothes, cars, a flat in Town, a house in the country, a villa on the Riviera . . . everything that meant Life to her. Love could wait, she decided.

And now — only now, twenty years afterwards, Anthony Maitland was dying. Soon she would be free—but the best years of her life had been taken from her.

She was not even a young-looking forty-five. Living with Anthony, watching him hoard his feeble energies like a miser, reading Dickens to him in a voice that had had to be louder each week because of his deafness, going from hotel to hotel with him because it was the only way a man in a bath-chair could always be chasing the sun — every year in the last ten had seemed like two.

The door of Anthony's bedroom opened quietly. The doctor the hotel had got for him beckoned her.

"Your father is—"

She corrected him coldly. "My husband, you mean."

"I'm sorry — having rushed here—"

She could have slapped his face. It was the one thing that infuriated her above all. The way strangers always referred to Anthony as her father. Making her explain, making it obvious from her own words that she had married an old man for his money. Even now it had to happen. Well, it would be the last time, anyway. There was that much comfort. . . . .

"He has very little time left," said the doctor. "I'm sorry, but there's nothing we can do. At his great age. . . ." He left the reference to Anthony's age tactfully unfinished.

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"Is he conscious?"

"Partly—only partly. He seems to want to talk to you: that is why I came out."

Blanche went into the bedroom.

Anthony Maitland put out a trembling hand in feeble recognition.

"I shall soon be leaving you, Blanche. I—"

"Anthony, don't try to talk — you'll only make yourself worse." She attempted a look of concern, but it died away at the piercing stare of his eyes.

"You'll soon be free now," he went on. "I know I've lived longer than was expected. But you mustn't blame me for that, Blanche. We all keep ourselves alive as long as we can."

"Anthony—"

"What does it matter? The doctor told me just now that he couldn't do anything. I made him—always believed in facing facts. Same as I faced facts when I knew you weren't doing it because you loved me. I haven't had any illusion since . . ."

He paused and struggled for breath.

"Well, it was a fair bargain, Blanche—I'm not grumbling. You were a very beautiful woman then, my dear. So I'm keeping my side of it . . . I've left you nearly everything. Just a few charities, that's all.

"Mind you, it isn't what it was . . . lost a lot in the last ten years. But you'll get about four hundred thousand. I haven't imposed any conditions— reckon you've earned it. I know it hasn't been easy for you—spending your life with a husband everyone takes to be your father. I forgive you for all your moods and bad tempers—I shouldn't have lived so long."

Anthony Maitland's head slipped back on the pillow, as if he had decided to fall asleep and meet the end quietly.

Blanche went to the door and called the doctor.

"A few hours," whispered the doctor. "He can't last longer than that. If you'd like to go out in the grounds for some fresh air, I can make sure that you're sent for, Mrs. Maitland."

"I don't think it will be necessary to—er—send for me," she replied. "We—we have said all we need say to each other. And I dislike painful scenes."

"As you wish. I'll only send for you should he ask again."

"I don't think he will," she murmured.

She slipped on her fur coat and went down to the hotel garden. But as soon as she passed through the sun-lounge, she knew she would not be left alone as she wished.

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They had arrived at the hotel only the night before, but everyone knew Anthony was seriously ill—he had collapsed so publicly in the restaurant. If only he had been taken ill in their suite no one would have known about it. She bit her lip as she saw two or three women, oozing with sympathy and curiosity, leave their chairs and come towards her.

She didn't want to talk to people. She wanted to be alone—to think—to plan out some sort of future. . . .

The first of the sympathisers descended on her.

"Oh, my dear, please don't think I'm butting in, but is there anything I can do? Such bad luck for you as soon as you arrive! Is your poor father any better?"

Blanche wanted to scream. Was she never to be released from the endless persecution of that tactless assumption?

She said frigidly, "My father has been dead for ten years."

The woman flushed nervously. "Oh, but I—you see I—"

"It was my husband who was taken ill this morning."

"But I'm so sorry—I thought—"

"Please don't apologise. An awkward remark is always made worse by explanations, I think. If you wish to avoid awkward remarks it is best not to speak to people you do not know."

Blanche walked on. At any rate she had relieved her feelings. There was at times a real pleasure in downright rudeness. It was pleasant now to hear the woman behind her gasping with indignation.

She knew what would happen. In a few minutes the wretched creature would be rushing all over the hotel and hissing it at everyone—"He isn't her father—he's her husband!"

It had been happening at every new hotel they had stayed at in the last ten years. It had happened on their honeymoon — the very first morning.

Well, it wouldn't — it couldn't —happen much more. Soon Anthony would be forgotten by everybody, herself included. She would spend her life in future in places where he had never even been seen. Where she could feel utterly free—where she could make up for all the years she had wasted . . .

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An hour later she returned to their suite.

She saw at once from the doctor's face that she was now a widow. She made no pretence of grief. It would have been impossible, anyway. For twenty years she had dreamt of this moment and now, even though it had come ironically late, a feeling of happiness was surging through her.

For six months after Anthony's death she made no definite plans. She simply relaxed, gradually learning what it meant to be free once more.

She began to feel young again. The patches of grey were still in her hair, the lines were still gathered round her eyes and mouth—but she could feel a renewed vitality stirring within her.

Why, because she was forty-five, should life be over for her? Better to be forty-five with a fortune of four hundred thousand than thirty with nothing.

She had her hair dyed. She went to a famous surgeon in Vienna and had the lines on her face removed. She dieted until she was almost slim again.

Anthony had taken the best years of her life. But his money could bring them back again.

Full of confidence, Blanche faced life once more—as a widow of thirty!

She went on cruises, she went to the gay, lively sort of hotels which Anthony had always avoided. Other women might know she was older than she pretended—but she was not interested in the opinions of women. It was love and romance that her heart ached for, not bridge and gossip.

And she made no secret of her fortune. Why should she? It was one of her assets. And she had certainly earned it.

She was proposed to by a retired colonel from India. An American salesman offered to go to Reno and dispose of his present wife if only she would wait for him. A Russian count threatened to commit suicide if she didn't elope with him.

But they all brought back memories of Anthony to her. The colonel suffered from gout, the salesman was going bald, and the count's joints creaked with rheumatism.

It was not till she met Alec Stacey that she stopped travelling. He was young, handsome and dashing. And he made love to her in a way that erased every year since the days of the Cafe Rouge.

She felt she had never been so happy in her life—and perhaps she hadn't. Only the thought that she was so much older than he was worried her.

But he didn't seem to mind that. He was constantly telling her how girls always bored him.

"I have nothing to offer you," he declared, "but love like mine cannot be held back. You are the most beautiful woman I have ever seen I have friends in New York—they could get me a job—"

He was magnificently surprised when she mentioned that she had more than enough money for two people to live on.

He sighed exquisitely and turned away. "But although it is now impossible, I shall never forget you."

"But don't be so absurd. Why impossible?"

"You would always think that I had married you for your money —other people would think so.—"

He was superbly obstinate before he eventually allowed himself to be persuaded . . .

They were married a week later. They arrived late in the evening at the hotel they had picked for the honeymoon.

Alec went down to dinner a few minutes before she was ready.

But she could not find him when she herself went down.

A kindly-looking woman sitting in a chair got up and walked towards her.

"I think your son's just gone out to get a paper," she said.

Blanche fainted.

When she came to she kept on repeating, "Oh, it's all going to start again!" But nobody knew what she meant.

Who Is Fitter For The Fight?

Health Standards Of Britain And Germany Examined

—By—
David J. Murphy

Of all the propaganda boasts that have been blared out from German sources in the last few years, none has been more insistent than the claim that Nazism brought new health and rejuvenation to the German people.

While the decadent British are drifting to moral and physical decay, Germany has been restored to virility and power. At least, that's what Dr. Goebbels says — and there are many people who believe him.

Propaganda boasts, however, are one thing, and facts are another. The figures and statistics don't tell the Goebbels story. Indeed, the picture they paint is just the opposite.

The last year for which complete and reliable statistics are available is 1937, and the first comparable figures are extremely interesting. German propagandists have excelled themselves in their claims for "living space"—yet there are twice as many people in every square mile of England and Wales as there are in Germany.

In 1937, the density of population figure for Germany was 363 persons per sq. mile—but 703 per sq. mile in England and Wales.

This comparison is extremely important in its bearing on national health, for over-crowding of population is one of the most fertile causes of disease and, on the face of it, the health and other vital statistics for England and Wales ought to make a poor showing compared with the new and healthy Reich of the Nazis. But what are the facts?

The Death Rate Rises

Take the death rate first. The death rate in England and Wales during 1937 was 12.4 per 1,000 of population, while in Germany, with only half the density of population, the figure was practically the same—11.7 per 1,000 of population.

And while the death rate for England and Wales has been falling steadily over a long period of years, the German figure, according to Dr. Martin Gumpert—formerly head of the Berlin City Dispensary for Deformity Diseases and now a refugee in America — is 80,000 higher compared with the year before the Nazis came into power.

As soon as the Nazis were firmly entrenched in Germany, a nation-wide campaign was begun to increase the number of marriages, every kind of inducement being offered to the country's marriageable men and women. Yet, in 1937, there was no appreciable difference between the marriage rates of Germany and England and Wales. The German marriage rate was 18.2 per 1,000 of population, while the figure for England and Wales was 17.4.

The Nazis certainly succeeded in obtaining a higher birth rate—18.8 per 1,000 of population compared with 14.9 for England and Wales. But it is significant that the German total of illegitimate births should be more than twice the comparable figure for England and Wales, 9 per cent. against 4 per cent.

Suicides Soaring

An even grimmer commentary on living conditions in the two countries is provided by the suicide statistics. Even by 1935, when the strain on Germans was not nearly as severe as it is today, the German suicide rate was double that of England and Wales.

Over the four-year period, 1931–5, the German rate was 28.5 per 100,000 of population, while in England and Wales, during the four-year period 1932–6, the rate was 13.5.

Moreover, there is a mass of reliable evidence to prove that, in the last few years, the German suicide rate has soared until, according to Dr. Gumpert, there are almost as many suicides in Germany to-day as there are in the whole of the remainder of Europe.

Thanks to Goering's "Guns or butter" campaign, infantile sickness in Germany has reached alarming proportions. Most of the fat content of milk in now separated and used for war purposes. As a result, rickets and other malnutrition diseases are widely prevalent—while in England and Wales they have practically disappeared.

In 1937, 72 persons in every 100,000 of the population of England and Wales died of tuberculosis. The German figure for the same year was 73. But since then it has far outstripped the English rate. According to figures extracted from official Nazi publications, there are now more than 1,500,000 cases of tuberculosis in Germany.

Dirt And Disease

Shortage of soap and other aids to personal cleanliness have brought about a dangerous increase in diseases where dirt is a prime factor, especially when there is the added danger from bad or tainted food.

In England and Wales, during 1937, there was not one death from either smallpox or cholera, while the typhoid death rate was 5 per million of population. But in Germany, according to Dr. Gumpert, the Nazi regime has brought with it a 300 per cent. increase in these diseases.

All these facts are fully borne out by the ceaseless importation of workers from those countries which have fallen victims to German conquest, and the cancellation, in March of this year, of the pre-Nazi legislation which forbade the employment of young children.

Replacing Broken Workers

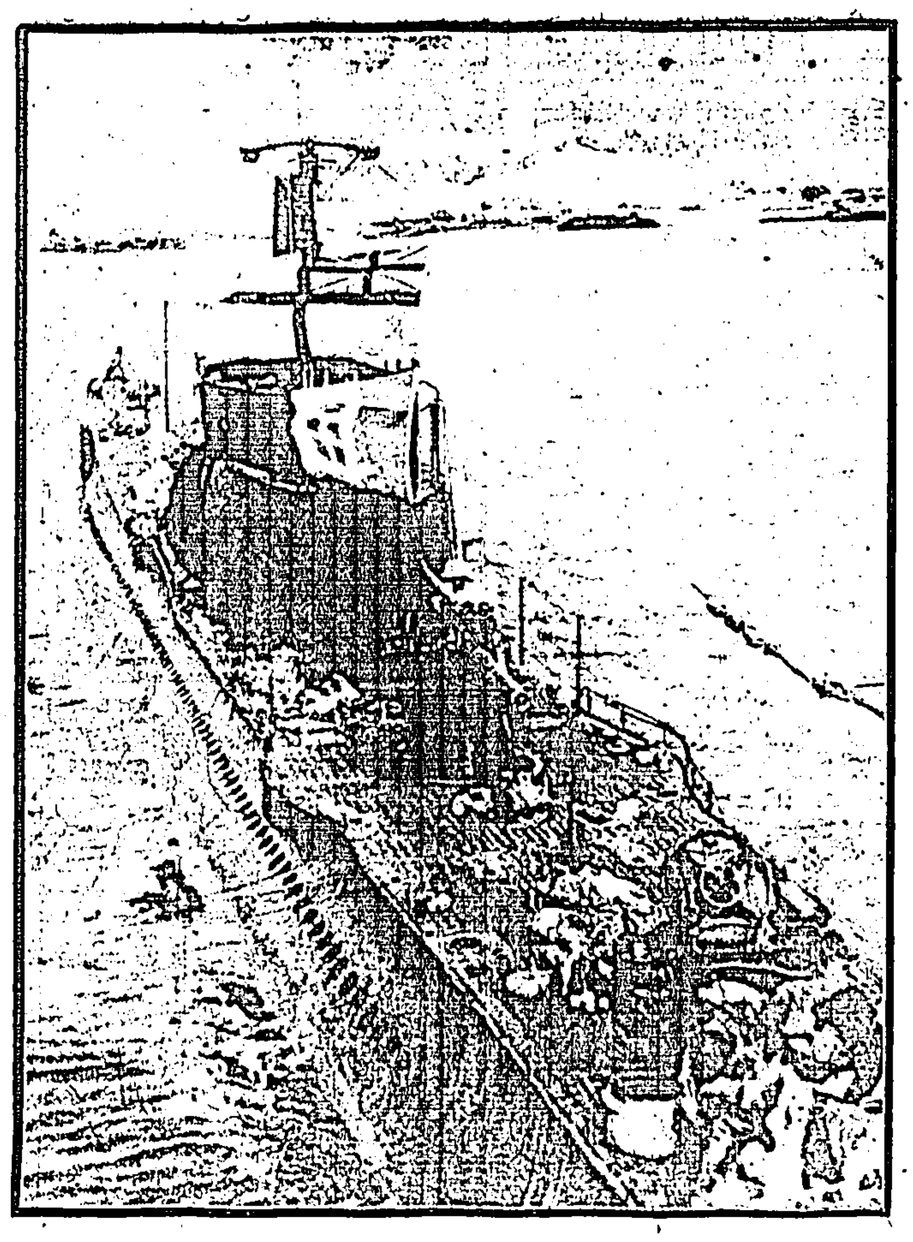
More than 500,000 Poles and Czechs have been conscripted for forced labour in Germany — to make good the loss of working hours caused by the breakdown in health of so many German workers.

The Nazi decree making the employment of young persons permissible had as its object the conscription of youth for work in mines, as a result of heavy falls in output due to ill-health among miners.

It would, however, be highly dangerous to imagine that the health factor alone could justify a slackening in the British war effort. On the contrary, the workers of Britain have a tremendous task ahead of them. They are competing not only with the larger army of German workers, but with the millions of able-bodied men and women who are liable to instant labour conscription in German factories and workshops.

The task of equalling and outstripping German war production is probably the grimmest that the free workers of Britain have ever had to face.

But they will face it cheerfully, in the knowledge that they will have ample food, the best of medical facilities and, that they are fitter for the fight than their opponents.



BRITISH FLAG FLIES ABOVE ITALIAN ON CAPTURED SUBMARINE. Captured in the Gulf of Aden by the British trawler Moonstone, the Italian submarine Galileo Galilei was brought into harbour with the white ensign flown above the Italian flag, as this photo shows.

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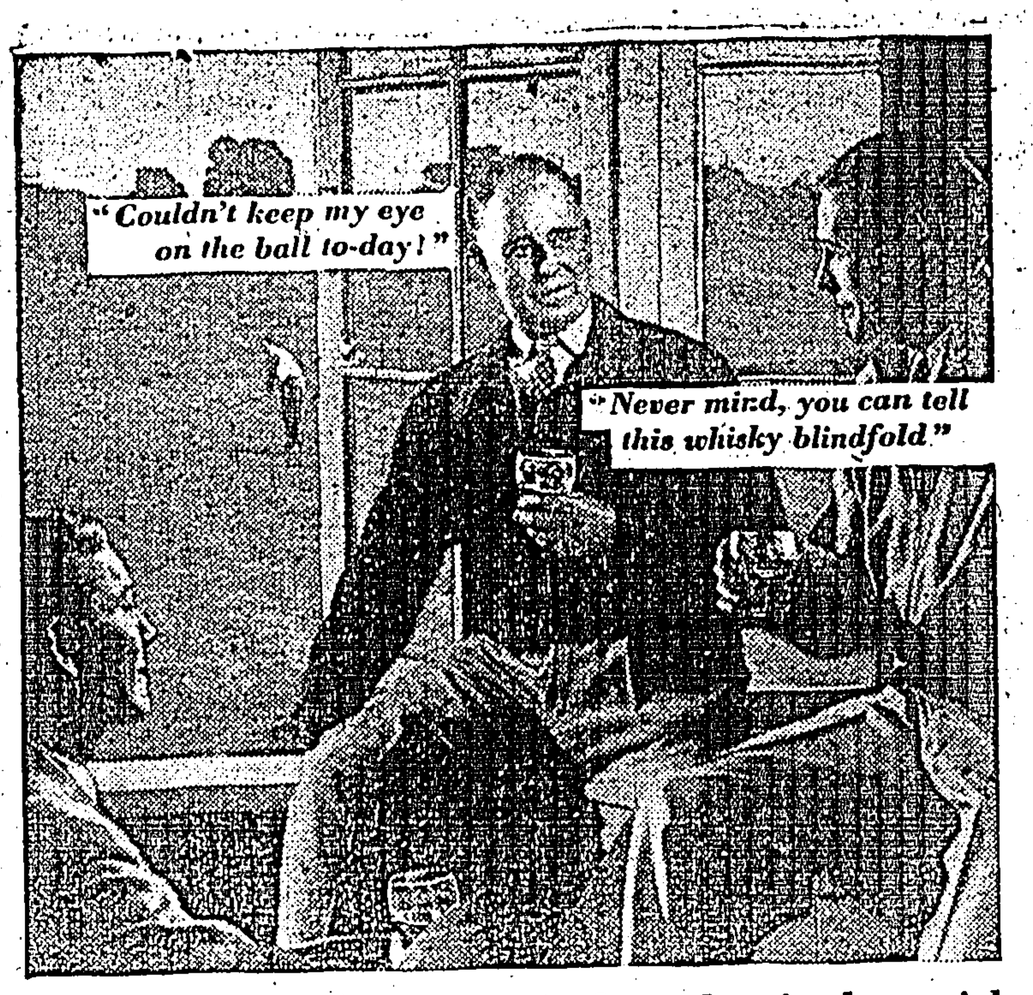

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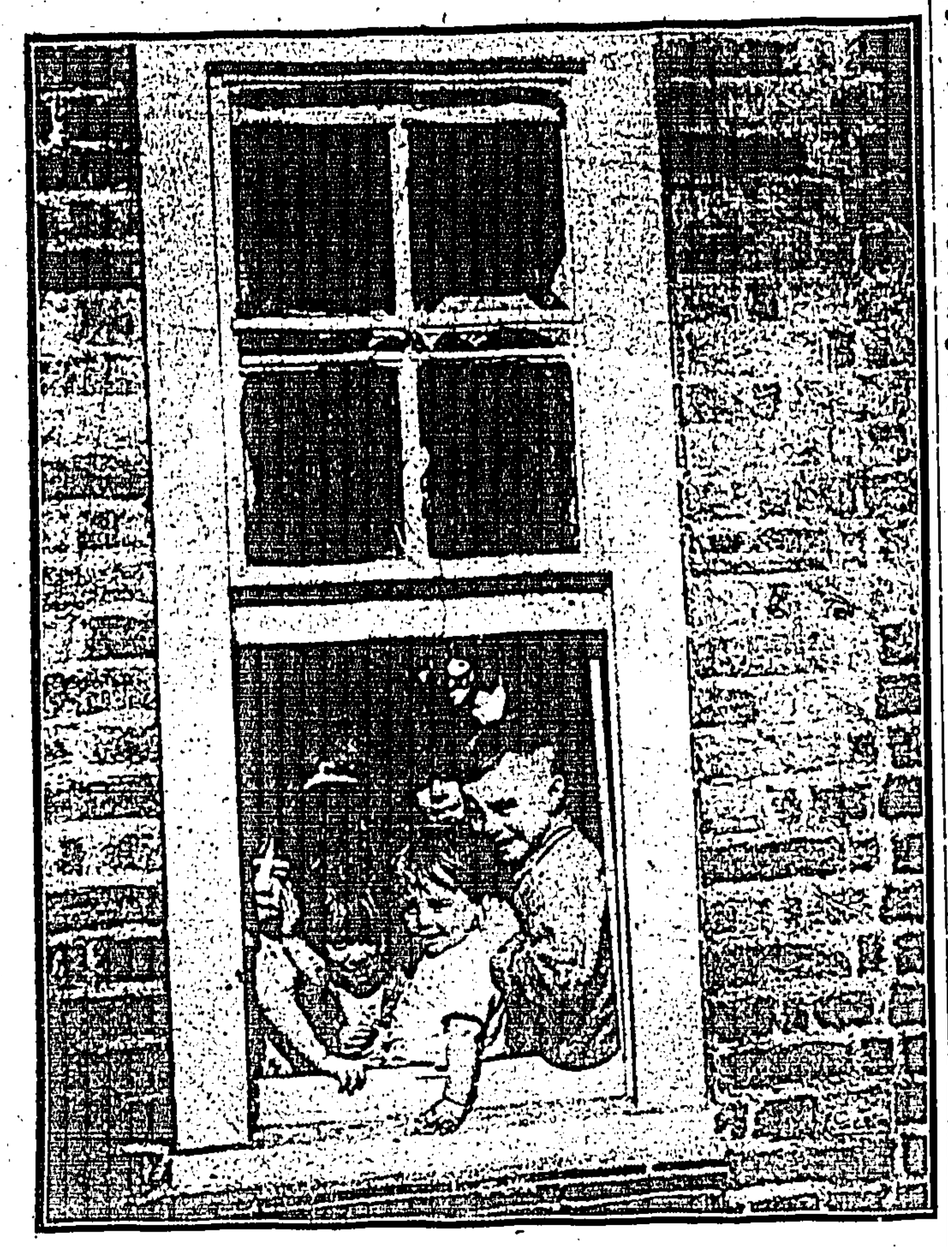
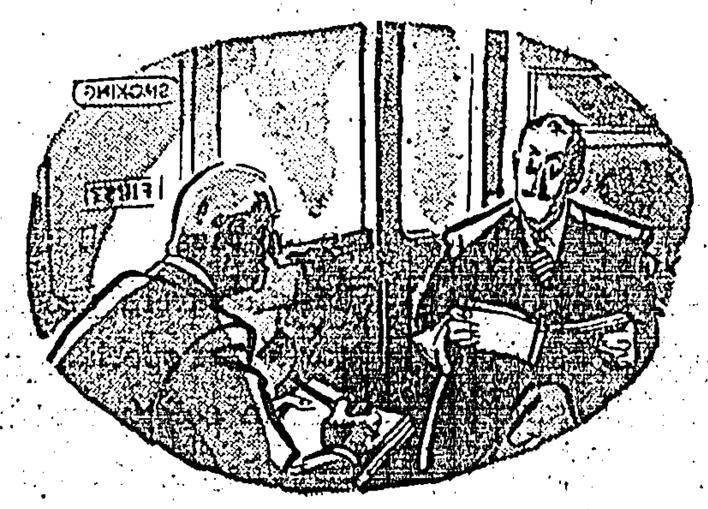


An enemy bomb fell on a block of working class flats during an air raid on the London area, but there were few casualties. Photo shows a family of children who were in the flats, but were unhurt, looking through their damaged bedroom window.

Assembling a batch of South African made mortars, a part the Union is playing in the British Empire's war effort.



FIRST CLASS TIP

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"Then no doubt you are interested in some commercial form of refrigeration — chilled beef, for instance?"

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"I beg your pardon, Sir. I'm terribly sorry. Fact is, I've a most appalling headache, and the cool air does it good. I attended a most enjoyable party last night, and I'm feeling much the worse for it."

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"I've never known it fail."

"Then, Sir, I am deeply indebted to you. Here is my card. I trust that we shall see more of each other. Much more. Are you by any chance free to dine tonight? Wonderful how these chance encounters change the course of one's whole life."

How British Air Pilots Are Chosen

By A Medical Correspondent

The medical examination of a would-be air pilot is a very thorough affair and to the layman it would seem surprising that a reasonable proportion of the candidates successfully pass the scrutiny of the five members of the Medical Board. This, however, is the case, despite the fact that the standard required in the British Air Force is still that of pre-war years and has not been lowered because of the war.

Visual troubles, perhaps, cause the largest proportion of failures, and the tests for colour blindness by means of the lantern exhibition of coloured discs reveal that some five per cent. of the men are not normal in this respect. Visual acuity is judged by standard test types read by each eye separately without glasses at twenty feet.

The detection of latent squint in a candidate is of even greater importance than the discovery of a moderate error of refraction. The ability of a pilot to land aircraft successfully depends to a great extent on the presence of normal ocular muscle balance.

There are two classes of licence for civil aviators, "A" and "B". The former class is essentially amateur and the medical standards are lower than those for the "B" licence pilot, who alone is entitled to carry passengers and goods for hire or reward, and who requires the same type of medical examination as the Service pilot.

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Stress of Flying

There are certain minor differences in the standards of civil and Royal Air Force pilots and these are mainly concerned with the relative significance of various disabilities which have occurred in the candidate's life. The essential object, of course, is the selection of pilots capable of withstanding the stress of flying on active service, or a life of arduous civil flying. Apart from the elimination of candidates who fail to conform to the standards of sight and hearing, or who show signs of organic disease of a gross or potentially disabling nature, it is necessary to decide whether a candidate possesses a degree of mental and physical stamina compatible with the safe handling of aircraft under any conditions for prolonged periods in peace or war.

To form an opinion on these points, evidence as to the soundness of the stock from which the candidate comes, the illnesses from which he has suffered, the sports in which he is proficient or excels, the stresses to which he has been exposed and the manner in which they have been borne are of great importance.

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Complete Harmony

Information obtained by clinical examination is supplemented by the candidate's responses to the tests for physical efficiency. This implies a state in which the various systems of the body are primarily intact and are so co-ordinated as to work together in complete harmony, even under conditions of prolonged and severe mental or physical stress.

There should also be a high degree of resistance to disease and a rapid recovery rate. Physical efficiency is not regarded as consisting only of athletic prowess.

Selection of candidates is based on the following considerations —the personal and family history of the candidate in relation to nervous stability, respiratory and circulatory efficiency and past illnesses; a general medical and surgical examination, including tests for physical efficiency, and eye, ear, nose and throat examinations. A careful assessment of the factors elicited under these heads is then made.

Definite causes for rejection include severe nervous breakdown, migraine accompanied by visual disturbance, fits or fainting attacks suggestive of epilepsy, pulmonary tuberculosis, persistent asthma, and a definite history of gastric or duodenal ulcer, eye, ear, nose and throat trouble.

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Physiological Attributes

The general medical and surgical examination is carried out, not only to exclude the presence of defects or disease, but also to determine that the candidate is possessed of physiological attributes likely to render him an efficient pilot. For this reason there are incorporated tests for physical efficiency not usually carried out in routine medical examinations.

These involve the use of the U-tube manometer with about two feet of rubber pressure tubing connected to a rubber covered glass mouth-piece. Pulse response tests are taken with the candidate sitting quietly, changing posture and during exercise. Blood pressure is also estimated by the use of the sphygmomanometer.

Breath-holding capacity is then gauged—the minimum time for the normal fit young adult being one minute. Candidates unable to hold their breath for more than fifty seconds are liable to suffer from oxygen want at high altitudes owing to respiratory inefficiency.

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Nervous System

The central nervous system is also considered. The general response of the whole body accompanying reflexes is recorded and tremors are detected whilst the candidate stands with eye-lids closed and arms outstretched at shoulder level. The almost invisibly fine tremor, usually associated with some degree of hyperthyroidism, is detected by holding the candidate's outstretched fingers loosely between the hands.

Self-balancing tests follow and as a check on endurance, the candidate blows mercury in a U-tube to a height of forty millimetres and keeps it at that level as long as possible. Unsteadiness in the balancing tests indicates defective higher nervous control

There is also an expiratory force test in which the candidate blows the mercury steadily as high as possible.

Particular attention is paid to leg-length and the men with leg-length of 39 inches, combined with a height of 64 inches, are accepted for piloting duties. If the leg length or height is less a practical test in a service aircraft is given to ascertain whether the man has an unobstructed view from the cockpit and the ability to manipulate the rudder bar and brakes. For observer duties candidates with a height of 62 inches may be accepted.

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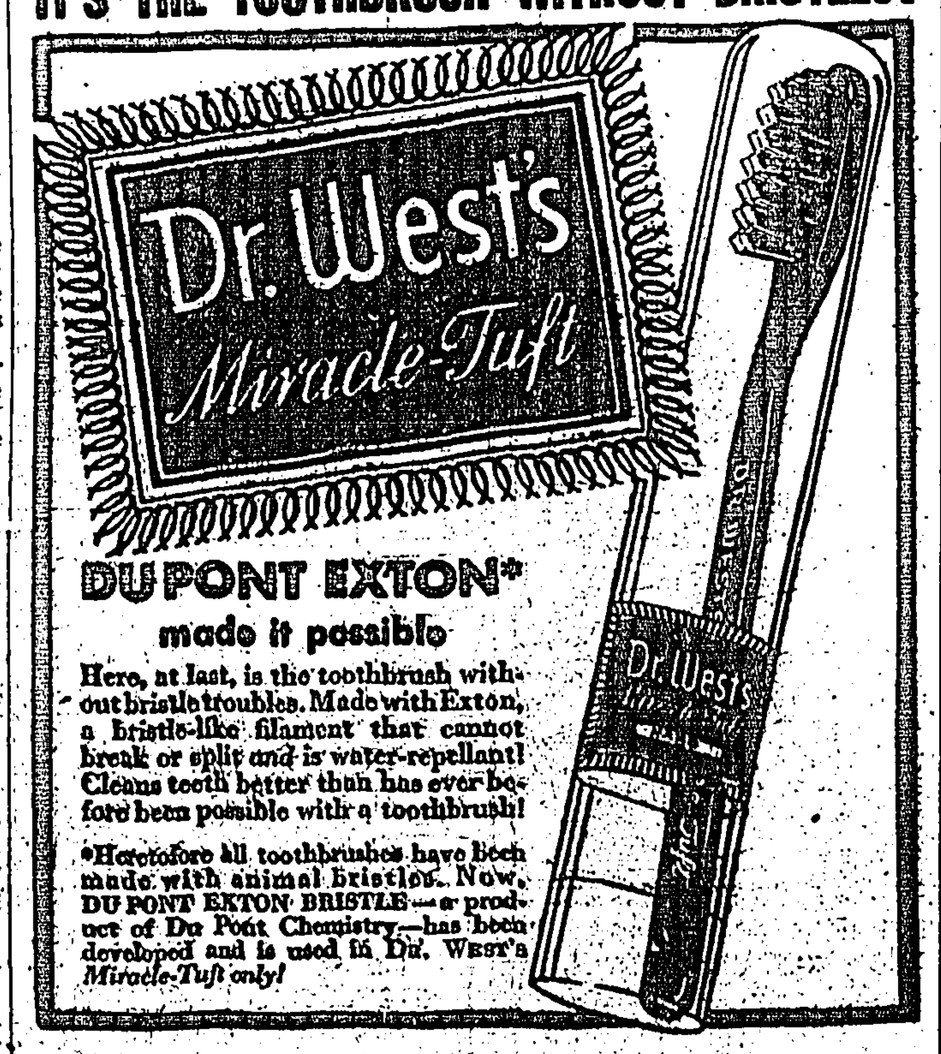

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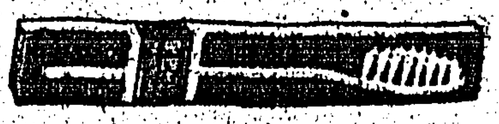

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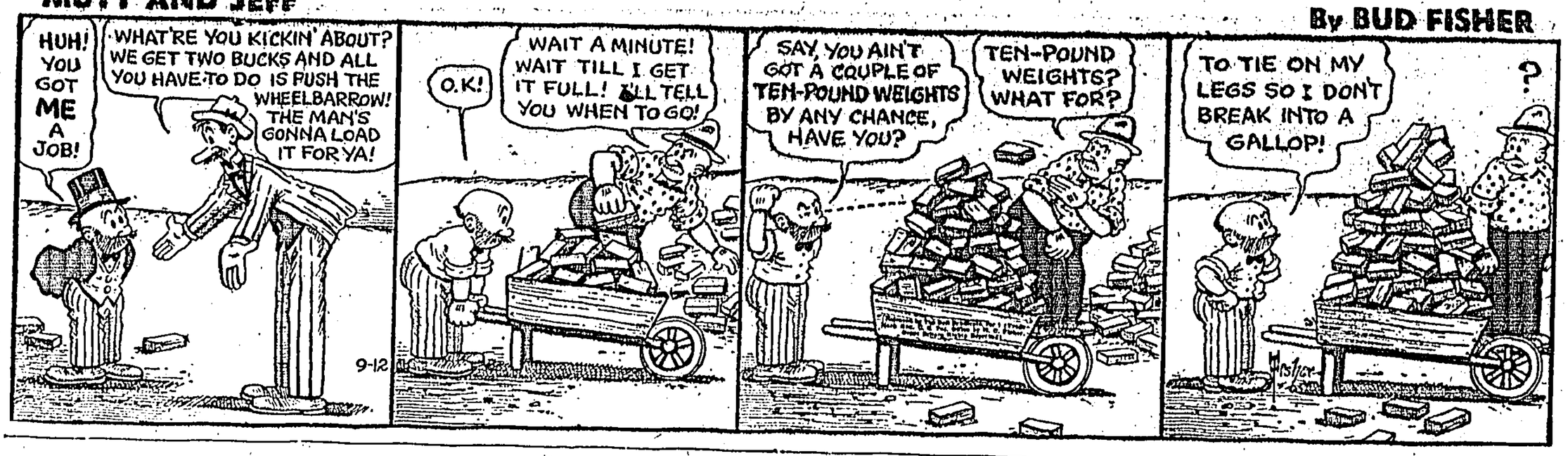

A PAGE FOR WOMEN

Tanned To A Turn

HOW does your skin take to the sun—painfully, slowly or easily? It all depends, of course, on the type and texture of your complexion, and there are three types.

There's the fair, fine, delicate skin that flushes scarlet at the first touch of the sun, the medium skin that goes through a stage of redness and discomfort before it turns a warm peach, and the dark skin that tans easily, growing darker and smoother and more chocolate with every hour in the sun

Each of these three types needs a different tan treatment and a different make-up.

If You Are Fair

You have a choice of two alternatives. Either you stay milk-and-roses, or you take a lot of care and trouble and very gradually acquire a pale gold skin.

My advice to you is to stay fair and make capital out of it. Brown skin doesn't suit you as much as pink and white, and tanning will coarsen its exquisite texture. So make a point of staying cool and serene and fair as a white rose amid all the warm brown skins around you.

It means, of course, that you'll have to provide yourself with a good sunproof cream or liquid and use it frequently whenever you're going to be in the sun, and always under your powder.

Ration Your Sun

It means you'll have to be lavish with your cooling skin cream, or tannic acid jelly, at night after you've been sunning, and that you'll have to ration your sun to not more than a couple of hours a day.

But, in spite of all your precautions, you'll freckle, of course; fair skins do that whether they see the sun or not. But I like freckles, and if I were you I'd find out definitely first whether other people don't like them, too, before you decide to get rid of them. And, if you decide they must go, bleach them away with a freckle cream.

Choose your make-up to fit into the cool ivory picture; nourishing white milk foundation under clear pale cameo powder, pastel pinks, and rose tints like the new natural rose, pastel or rose pink for your lips and cheeks, with rosy tips for your nails.

If You Are Medium

If you choose the second alternative, because you like to tan or because you're in an open-air job and can't be a lily, then do take the trouble to do it slowly. Get yourself a good protective cream that will let you tan and won't let you burn and keep it coated over your face and arms. Choose a pale peach gold for your powder and put a gay orange pink on your lips.

Your skin is the type that can be nursed into a nice warm tan. If you're careful you can cut out the ugly red in between stage by using a good suntan cream and get your tan all the quicker.

The best preparation for you is a suntan cream that's suntan colour—a cool bronze cream specially created for the tropics. Smooth it all over your face and limbs before you go into the sun, and it will cut out all the burning rays, at the same time giving your skin a warm suntanned look

Choose a peach tan powder to go over it to emphasise the brownness and touch your lips and cheeks with one of those new clear velvet reds like the heart of a red rose.

Later, when you're really brown, deepen your powder to a summer tan shade and lighten your lipstick to the gay vivid pink of a pink geranium. It's one of the most becoming make-ups in the world. And film the faintest touch of greeny blue shadow on your lids.

If You Are Dark

You're the lucky person who after a struggle against greasy skin comes into your own in the sun. With the help of a bronze suntan oil or liquid for your limbs and back, you can brown evenly and smoothly and look lovely while you're doing it.

When you want a matt make-up use a bronze suntan foundation with a powdering of deep brown suntan powder, and for rouge and lipstick one of those warm red-browns, the colour of lovely old brick wall in the sun. And, for fun, for evenings, or for when you wear soft colours, get yourself one of those tremendously gay, bright orange lipsticks. They look heavenly against a glowing brown skin.

Care Of The Feet

All three types of beauty need to take as particular care of the feet as of the face. There is no reason why feet should not appear as attractive as possible, and, while perfect feet are rare these days, pedicure can help keep feet free from disfigurments and the toenails carefully cut.

Before any foot treatment is undertaken, first cleanse the feet with a small piece of cottonwool dampened with methylated spirit. Special attention must be given to the skin between the toes, and this is best accomplished by wrapping a small piece of cottonwool around an orange stick, dipping it in the spirit, and then thoroughly working it in between the toes. This will harden the skin, prevent soreness, and thus help the feet towards greater attractiveness.

File And Emery Board

After the feet have been thoroughly treated in this manner, separate the toes with small pieces of cottonwool. This will make it easier to give correct pedicure, and you will find that it is better to treat one foot at a time. Shape the nails, using a fairly large file. Do not cut too close into the corners, and keep the shape as nearly straight across as is possible. In this manner you will avoid ingrowing toe-nails As the nail is usually rather hard and horny, you should never attempt to cut the nails with scissors, as this will often make them break and crack.

After the nails have been filed into a good shape, smooth them down with an emery board and then cleanse them. Dip an orange stick in soapy water and then in peroxide, and thoroughly cleanse with this liquid, then with your cuticle-remover, take away any roughness which is around the base or the side of the nail, and then wash each nail carefully with soapy water. Rinse away all lather and dry thoroughly.

When you have shaped the nails and cuticles, and cleansed the skin, make the underneath part of the nail very white with nail white, then buffer the upper part of the nail so that you will have a good surface for applying nail varnish if you use varnish.

Employees of a well-known store in Oxford Street, London, are now busy fruit picking in Worcestershire. Photo shows that Miss A. Royce, a cockneywoman, has acquired the art of basket carrying. (Copyright, Fox).

A person who goes around balancing a chip on his shoulder can't expect to get many pats on the back.

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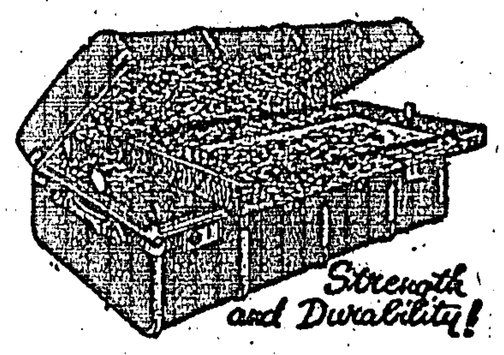

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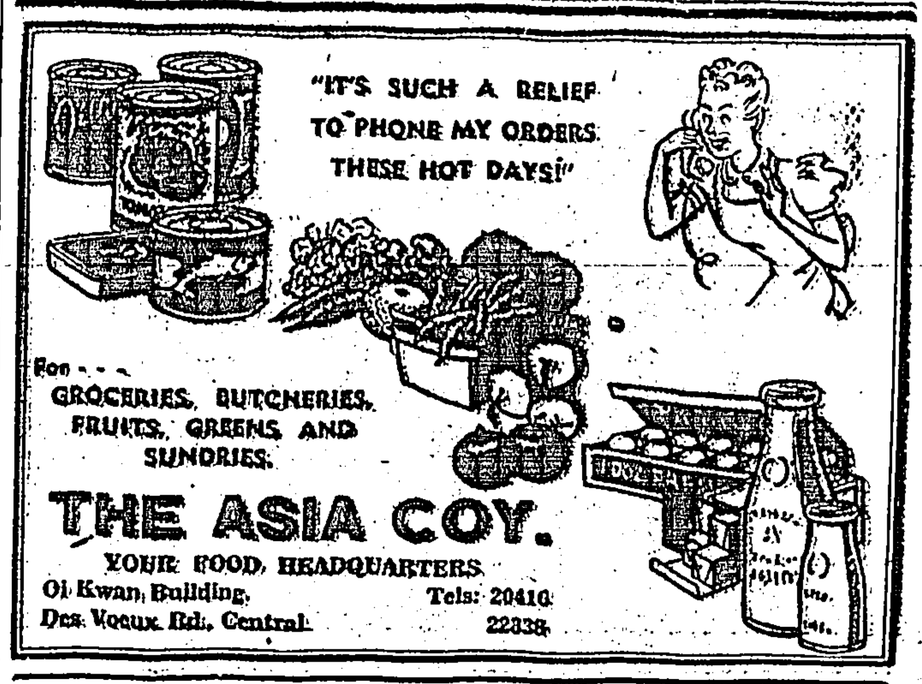

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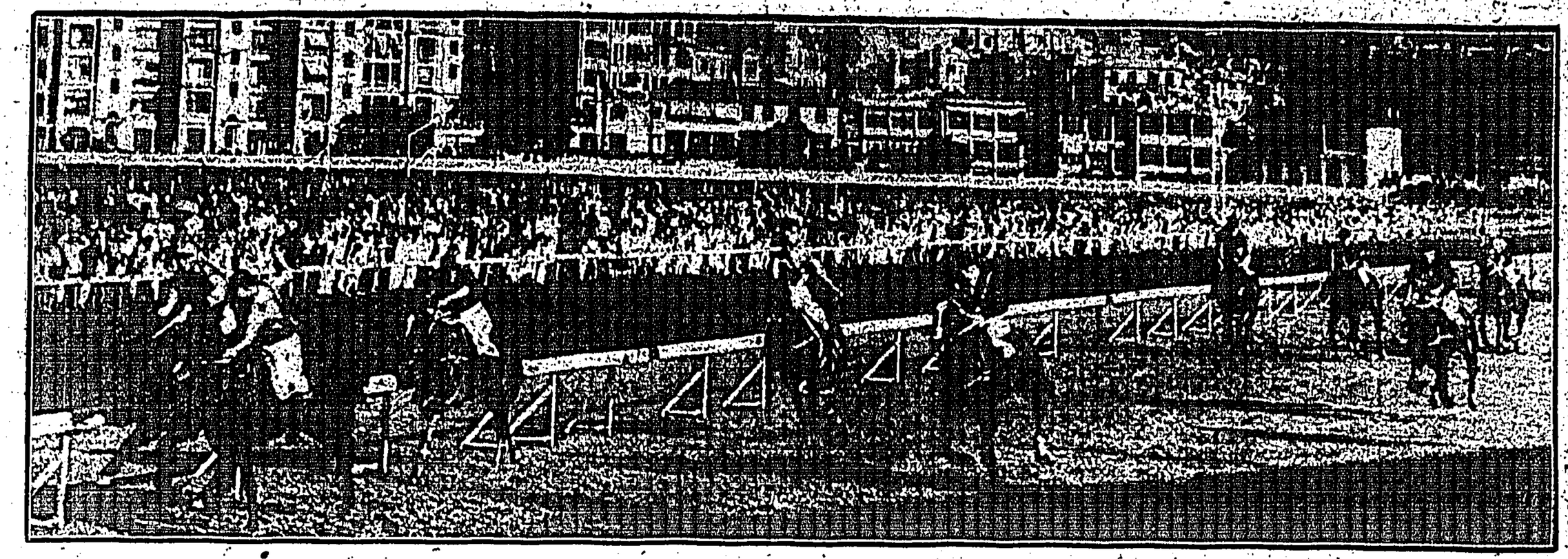
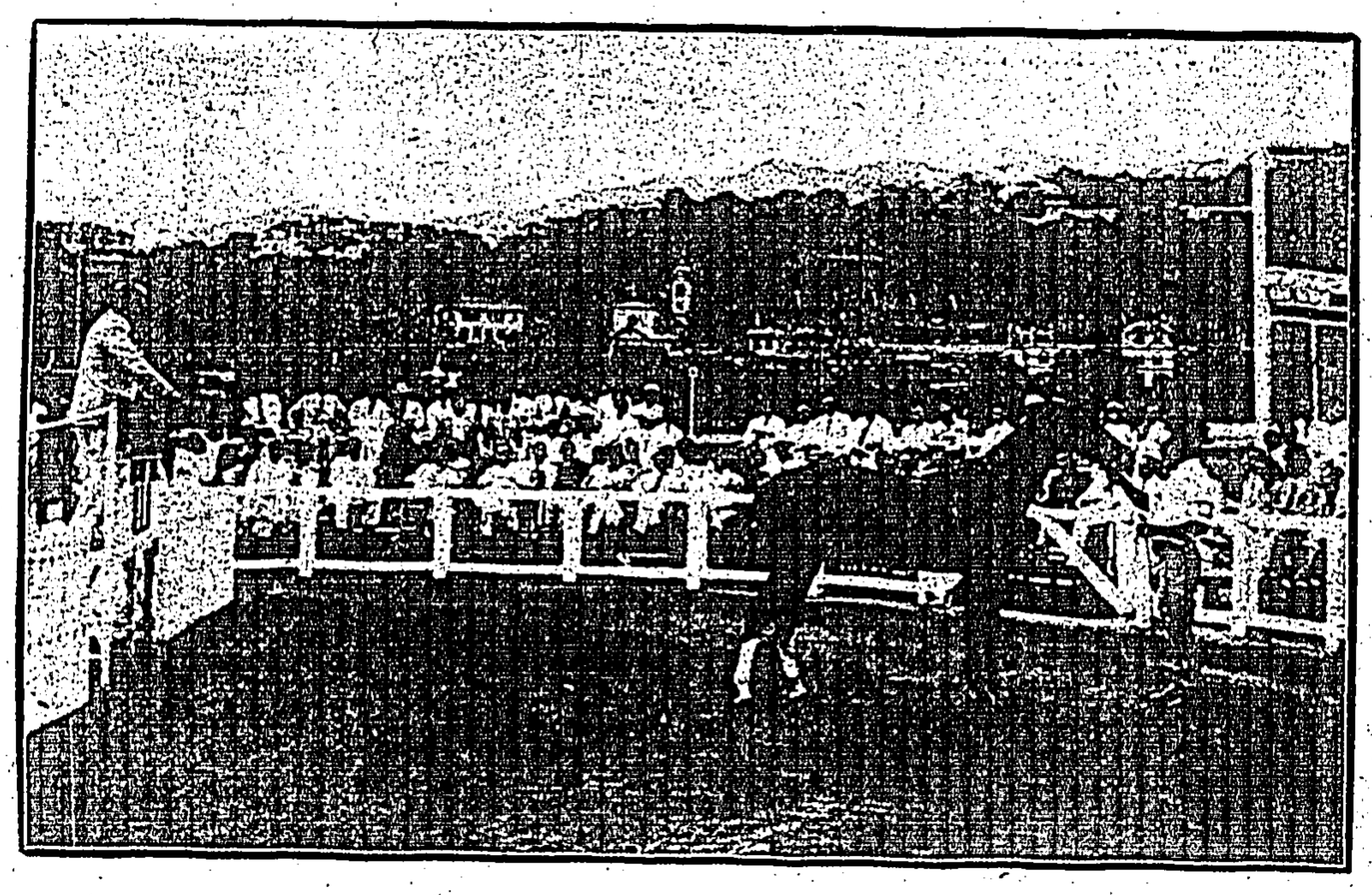
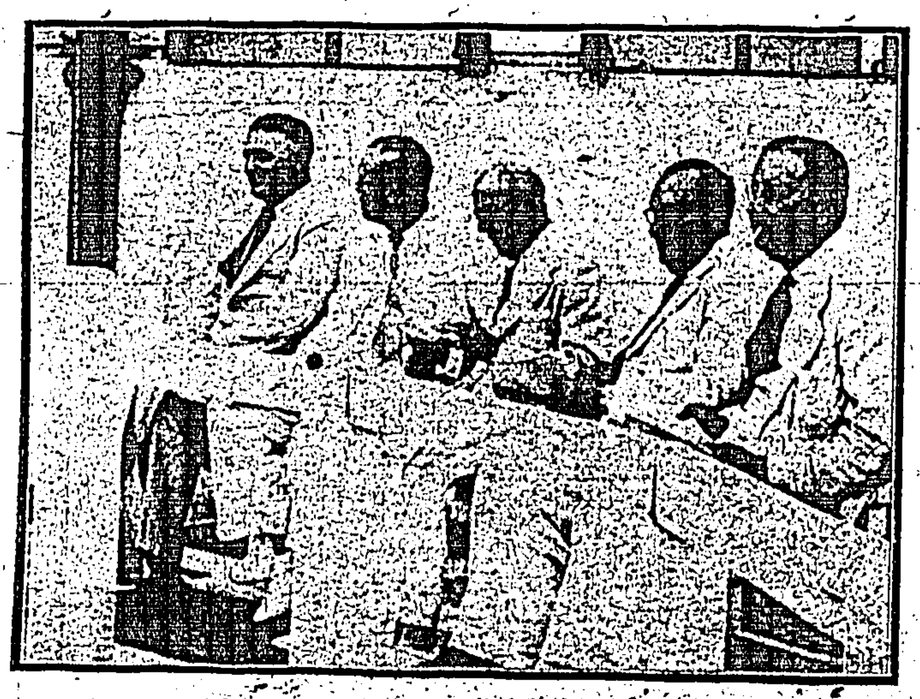


Racegoers had plenty of excitement at the extra race meeting last Saturday, when the big sweep turned in a first prize of over $168,000 and brought over $61,000 for war funds. This picture taken at the finish of the Moore Park Handicap, shows Vanity Fair (Ip Kui-ying) fighting out the lead. Vanity Fair won from Ascot Day, but was disqualified for bumping and boring.

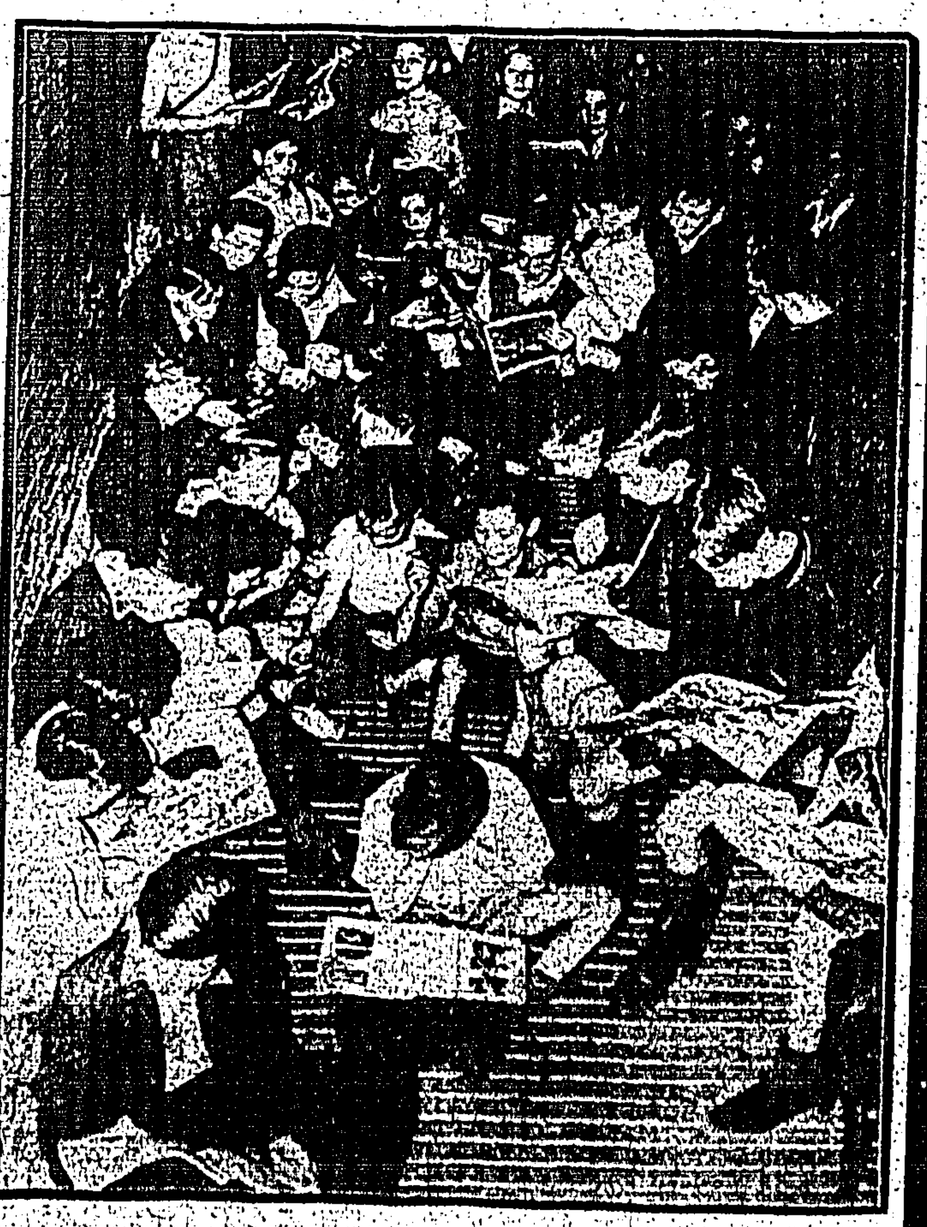




The first auction of Australian ponies to be held in Hong Kong was an unqualified success, and high prices were bid for many of the ponies on offer. Mr. T. E. Pearce is shown auctioning off a good looker.

(Right).—Mr. H. F. Phillips at Happy Valley on Sunday when the contest with Kowloon Golf Club resulted in a narrow win for the Valleyites.

(Left)—A group, including Col. H. B. L. Dowbiggin at the sale of Australian griffins.



Little Londoners rather enjoy the air-raid alarms, as it gives them an opportunity to read their comic-papers etc., during school hours. Here is a scene in the school shelter at the Hugh Myddleton School, Clerkenwell. (Oppyright, Fox.)

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DEFENCE OF THE UNITED STATES; KEY POINTS

The key position in the scheme of national defence of the United States is the Panama Canal. For their shores face two oceans, in either of which the American fleet may be needed in the event of war; and their Atlantic seaboard was 12,000 miles from their Pacific coast before the piercing of the isthmus reduced the distance to under 5,000, with an oasis of United States territory on the way in the Canal itself.

In American eyes that reduction of 7,000 miles makes all the difference to the sufficiency of the strength of the United States Navy.

The construction of an isthmian canal, on United States territory, removed from the mind of the American Naval Command the nightmare of being caught, in war, with the fleet in the wrong ocean.

But if the existence of the Canal nearly doubles the effective strength of the fleet, it at the same time constitutes a vulnerable point. The capture or sabotage of the Canal would at a blow almost halve the effective strength of the fleet—it might, indeed, put the fleet out of effective action altogether for weeks if the dispositions of the enemy were sufficiently skilful. Thus the defence for the Canal is a matter of the highest concern to the High Command of the United States of America.

The Caribbean

The Canal Zone is consequently one of the most heavily fortified areas in the world. But at the same time the United States feel it to be isolated. It is 1,000 miles from the nearest United States territory on the Atlantic side and a good deal more on the Pacific side.

Its defence would be felt to be much more secure, in the face of a possible aggressor from the Atlantic, if the United States of America were in full control of the Caribbean and all the approaches to the Canal through that sea.

The public mention that has been made of the Anglo-American discussions, on the subject of the possible lease of sites on British soil for use as defence bases by the United States, has not been specific regarding the actual sites considered.

From Colon to Jamaica is no more than 550 miles; but as it is no more than 150 miles further to Guantaniamo in Cuba, of which the United States Navy already has the use as a base, there seems to be no pressing need in that vicinity.

Trinidad

In the north-east of the Caribbean the United States already hold Porto Rico and the American (late Danish) islands of the Virgin group, 1,000 miles from Colon. But at the south-west of the Caribbean, 1,225 miles from Colon and on the route to the South Atlantic, lies the British island of Trinidad, an invaluable outpost for the Power that would control the sea.

The use of a naval base there—and even more of an air base—would greatly simplify the strategic problems of the United States if they were faced with war against an Atlantic or a European Power.

For it would enable the United States Navy to operate both ships and naval air forces with confidence in any part of the Caribbean Sea, and to maintain naval and air forces so placed in that area as to ensure against the unheralded incursion of any hostile naval force, and enable them to deal promptly with any sporadic raider.

The possession — whether by freehold or leasehold—of outlying bases, indeed, is needed to enable sea forces to exert their power throughout their radius of action.

The Royal Navy

The British Navy, for instance, operates freely throughout the North Atlantic because it has at its disposal the harbours of British North America—if one may use that term to comprehend both Canada and Newfoundland—Bermuda and the British West Indies.

But north of the Virgin Islands the United States possess no harbours outside the northern States themselves, though the direct sea route between them and northern Europe skirts the remainder of the continent.

It is that consideration, no doubt, which has led to the mention of Newfoundland as the site for other possible leases. The importance of that Dominion in air operations in the North Atlantic needs no explanation.

Assurance To Bermuda

Lord Lloyd, the Colonial Secretary, has given an assurance to the Bermuda House of Assembly that there is no question of Bermuda or any part of it being separated from the British Empire or of the people of Bermuda ceasing to be British subjects, states the Colonial Office Press section.

A memorial had been transmitted to Lord Lord stating that "the people of Bermuda are deeply disturbed lest some new conception of the American hemispheric defence may affect the status of this ancient colony as an integral part of the British Commonwealth."

LARGE CANADIAN ARSENALS TAKEN OVER

Control of all Government manufacturing plants will be vested in the Department of Munitions and Supply which is already responsible for the purchase of munitions and supplies from privately owned concerns, Defence Minister Col. James L. Ralston announced at an Ottawa press conference attended by 12 members of the parliamentary press gallery.

The announcement involves the the transfer from the National Defence Department to the Department of Munitions and Supply of Administration of two large Government-owned arsenals, one in Quebec and the other in Ontario.

Discussing the transfer of control of the arsenals Colonel Ralston said it was natural and logical that the Munitions and Supply Department, which is responsible for supplies generally, should control these plants and coordinate their work with that of private concerns from which purchases are made.

The change will not affect the technical and executive staff men who will be lent to the Munitions and Supply Department. It is one of a number of changes made on the recommendation of P. A. Chester of Winnipeg, recently appointed Master-General of the Ordnance. Others include adjustments of directorates in the Ordnance Branch and changes in the staff of the directorates.

The Minister also announced that two famous cavalry regiments, Lord Strathcona's Horse and the Royal Canadian Dragoons, recently merged in the First Canadian Cavalry regiment, will retain their names but not their horses.

One will be an armoured car battalion and the other a motorcycle battalion in the Canadian Armoured Corps now being formed. The Corps will get more than 200 serviceable light tanks for training out of 250 recently bought from the United States.

Mobility will be emphasised in the training of the Third Division which will be concentrated in the Maritime Provinces by Nov. 15.

Information reaching the Minister from overseas discloses no evidence of any serious interruption of military or production activities in the United Kingdom by enemy air action.

Consideration is being given to the establishment of a new command for certain Canadian troops overseas which are now under Canadian military headquarters in London.

The 39 training centres for men called up for training on Oct. 9, were ready for the opening date. It is hoped to have 10 30-day training periods a year which would mean training 300,000 men every 12 months.

Two new internment camps will be built in north-western Ontario.

ROOSEVELT TO RESIGN?

Norman Thomas, the American Socialist Party candidate for the Presidency, says there is a "growing feeling that Roosevelt, if re-elected, will resign soon after he takes the oath of office, and make Henry Wallace President."

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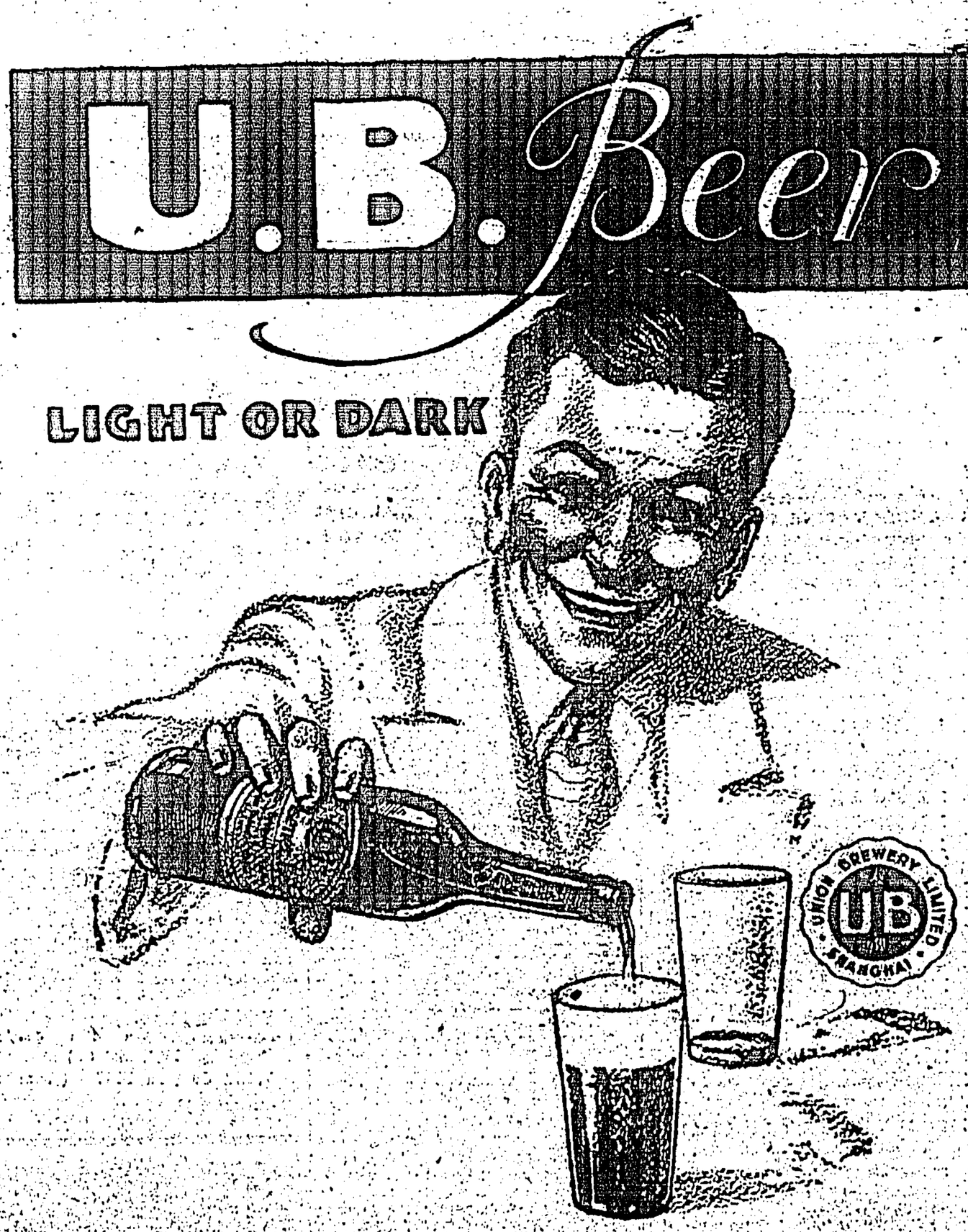

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By The Four Aces

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"Please tell us where we went wrong," writes N.O.V. of Cincinnati. "We know that a grand slam should not be bid if a finesse has to be taken, but this one was very tempting. At that, if my partner had finessed the other way for the Queen of spades we'd have made the contract. Was my jump to the Grand Slam very bad?"

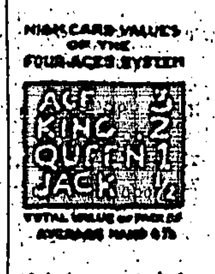
South, Dealer
Neither side vulnerable

	♠ A 10 8 ♡ A 10 9 ◇ A 10 9 ♣ A K J 6	
♠ 6 ♡ 7 6 5 3 2 ◇ 8 7 6 5 3 ♣ 7 3	N W E S	♠ Q 7 5 4 3 2 ♡ 8 4 ◇ 4 2 ♣ 5 4 2
	♠ K J 10 ♡ K Q J ◇ K Q J ♣ Q 10 9 8	

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1NT	Pass	7NT	Pass
Pass	Pass		

In our opinion there is nothing wrong with the bidding. We grant that a Grand Slam should not be bid when a finesse must be taken — but there is no way to tell, during the bidding, that a finesse will be necessary. After all, the two hands have identical distribution; otherwise they would produce thirteen tricks in top cards. Furthermore, when two partners hold every high card except for one Queen, they should bid a Grand Slam first and think about it later.



As it happens, the Grand Slam is easily made without guesswork if South takes advantage of all the available information. If he simply runs his clubs, hearts, and diamonds, he will discover that East can follow suit to only three rounds of clubs and two rounds of each red suit. Since East must have held thirteen cards originally, and since only seven of them could have been clubs, hearts or diamonds, it is a certainty that the other six must have been spades. That leaves only one spade in the West hand.

After this analysis, South should lead a spade to dummy's Ace and finesse the spade return through East's Queen. In that way the contract is made without even the slightest risk of failure.

* * *

Yesterday you were Howard Schenken's partner and, with both sides vulnerable, you held:

♠ Q J 10 6 4
♡ 8 5
◇ K 7 4
♣ K Q 7

The bidding:

Jacoby	Schenken	Maier	You
1♡	Dbl.	Pass	(?)

ANSWER: Bid two spades. Your hand is strong enough to guarantee a game opposite a Takeout Double. Even if your partner has no fit for spades, your minor-suit strength assures a game in one of those suits or, perhaps, no-trump.

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Question No. 547

To-day you are David Bruce Burnestone's partner and, with both sides vulnerable, you hold:

♠ J 7 5 4
♡ 9
◇ Q 9 5 3
♣ J 6 4 2

The bidding:

Burnstone	Schenken	You	Jacoby
1♡	Dbl.	(?)	

What do you bid? (Answer To-morrow.)

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'HOSTILE' BILLETS DRIVE NURSES BACK HOME

NURSES arriving at a Hampshire war emergency hospital are complaining of the almost hostile reception they receive at their reporting depot and at their billets in the town, writes a correspondent.

So bitter is the treatment given them that some have already returned to their homes.

Several of the nurses said when they arrived after many hours' train journey they were not even offered a glass of water or a cup of tea.

Cold Comfort

They were passed on to their billets where they were given cold comfort.

One nurse said, "I could not obtain any food for several hours, and had to be content with a banana I had in my bag."

Another said, "The householder I was sent to told me frankly she did not want me, and now that I had come she would put up with me, adding that she would prefer to have a soldier because she got more out of it."

A nurse from the North of England said: "If this is the spirit in the South, thank God I am a Northerner.

"I expect the people who are so unkind to us would be the first to grumble and groan if they did not get the best medical and nursing attention in a hospital."

Miss Bannister, the hospital matron, said, "I arrived here to take charge only a few days ago, and know nothing about these things. But if there are any difficulties I can assure you they will be soon swept away."

Mrs. Redmond, who lives opposite the hospital, said, "I took pity on the nurses and cook meals for as many as I can every day because no arrangements have been made for feeding them."

U.S. ARMY BASE IN ALASKA

"With plans reported under way to begin work on a United States Army air base near Fairbanks, Alaska, a new kind of boom is in prospect for this former gold-mining camp of Uncle Sam's Far Northwest," says the National Geographic Society.

"The 'Golden Heart of Alaska,' Fairbanks, is set almost exactly in the geographic centre of the Territory. Already it is reached by railway, motor road, and air service. More than 30 'planes come and go at the local airport of this little town, whose population is estimated to be little more than 4,000.

"One of the more dramatic activities of the pilots is to deliver by parachute supplies of bread, bacon and beans, mail and medicines to gold miners working in the vicinity.

"Fairbanks was born of gold fever in 1902, when an old prospector named Pedro struck it rich along the creek which now bears his name. To-day Fairbanks is still a growing town, no longer entirely dependent on its major industry of gold mining.

"As the metropolis for a vast hinterland it is an important trading centre, as well as headquarters for a rising lumber business, and something of a mecca for summer tourists.

Active Civil Life

"Telephones, telegraph, electricity and radio, together with a hospital, chamber of commerce, schools, churches and clubs, indicate an active civic life that belies Fairbanks' size.

"It is expected that the new Army air base will add about 2,500 people to the city's census figures, and make air-minded Fairbanks a centre for nearly 2,000 more 'planes."

Good News Or Bad?

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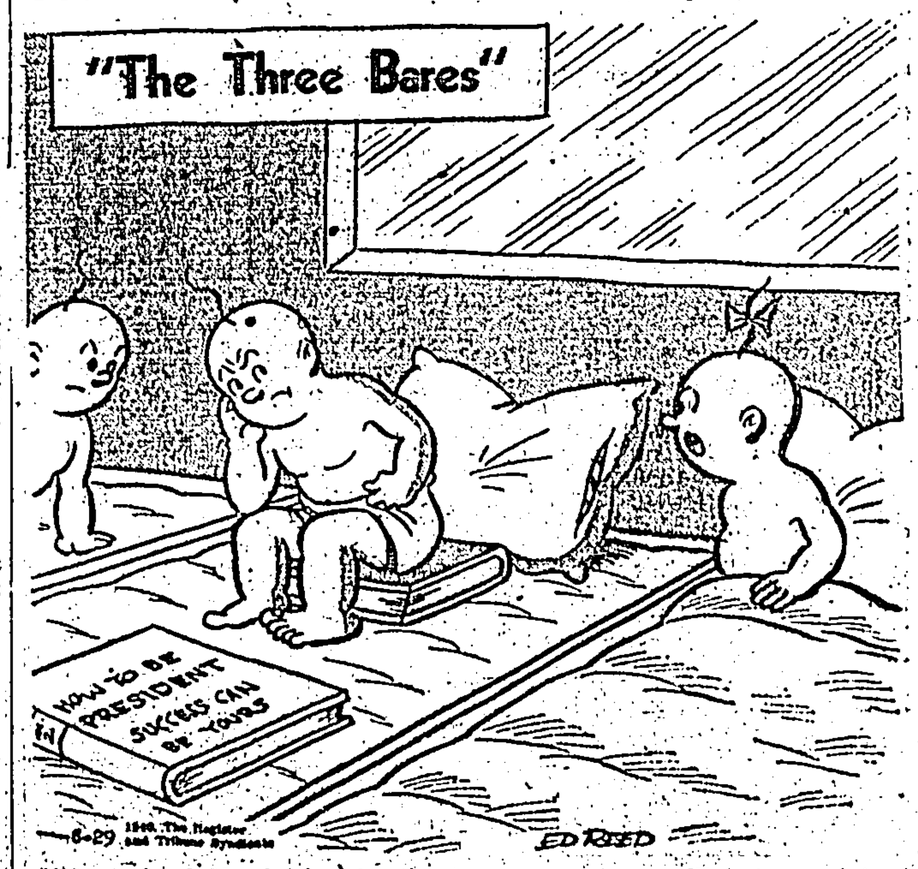

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ARMY CRICKET

MURPHY & MARTIN BOWL WELL

Fine bowling by Murphy and Martin was the feature of the friendly cricket match at Sookunpoo yesterday between Royal Army Service Corps and Royal Corps of Signals. The former won by 17 runs.

Scoring generally was on the low side, James's 24 for R.A.S.C. being the highest individual score of the match.

R.A.S.C.

Cpl. Young, l.b.w., b Murphy	5
L/Cpl. Logan, run out	16
Sgt. Hamlon, st. Lithauer, b Murphy	2
Cpl. Martin, b Murphy	4
Capt. Lawrence, b Dixon	0
Cpl. Glenn, b Murphy	0
Sgt. Benford, c Bedford, b Brackenberry	14
L/Sgt. James, not out	24
Sgt. Chalcraft, b Dixon	0
Dvr. Walker, b Dixon	2
Dvr. Brown, st. Lithauer, b Murphy	17
Extras (W7)	7
Total	91

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Dixon	9	1	33	3
Murphy	5.2	0	31	5
Brackenberry	3	0	20	1

SIGNALS

Sgt. Bedford, b Young	7
Sig. Lithauer, b Martin	12
L/Cpl. Murphy, run out	15
Cpl. Copsey, c Brown, b Martin	2
L/Cpl. Pitcher, b Martin	7
Sig. Dixon, b Martin	18
Sgt. Brackenberry, l.b.w., b Young	1
Sig. Lees, st. Hamlon, b Martin	5
Sig. Sharland, b Martin	1
L/Cpl. Love, run out	0
Sig. Cotton, run out	0
Extras (W4, B1, LB1)	6
Total	74

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Young	8	0	34	2
Martin	7.4	0	32	6
Jones	1	0	2	0

ORDNANCE WIN

Royal Army Ordnance Corps beat Diocesan Boys' school by 56 runs in a friendly cricket game yesterday.

Ordnance:—131 (Pinder 31, Stonor 48; Macauley 5 for 55, Hulse 2 for 21).

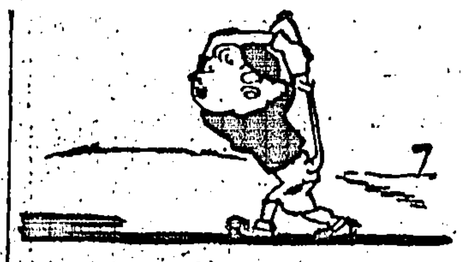
D.B.S:—75 (Jernakoff 29, Hulse 19; Emberson 4 for 24, Boocock 2 for 15.)

MINIATURE FOOTBALL LEAGUE

The Children's Playgrounds Association Committee have decided to hold a Kowloon Inter-School Small Boys' Miniature Football League with the objects of stimulating interest in this game and to improve its general technique.

Players must not be over 4ft. 10in. in height or over 16 years of ages.

All laws of soccer with few exceptions will apply. A trophy will be awarded to the championship team at the end of each season; said trophy to be retained by the team winning it three years in succession. Prizes will also be awarded to the first two teams.



GOLF STARTING TIMES

Following are Royal Hong Kong Golf Club Starting Times for Fanling:—

SUNDAY

Old Course

9.20 a.m.	O. E. C. Marton, A. J. Dennis.
9.25 ..	F. D. Hunter, S. Jex.
9.30 ..	E. J. R. Mitchell, A. W. Ramsay.
9.35 ..	L. R. Andrewes, C. H. T. Suen.
9.40 ..	D. Humphreys, W. Williamson.
9.45 ..	R. K. Collings, W. C. Simpson.
9.50 ..	J. L. C. Pearce, T. B. Low.
9.55 ..	F. Groves, W. V. Ahern.
10.00 ..	G. E. Costello, B. D. Evans.
10.04 ..	J. C. C. Matthews, R. C. Gairdner.
10.08 ..	R. Young, S. L. Lloyd.
10.12 ..	I. H. Geare, A. W. Bourne.
10.16 ..	J. G. Jensen, P. V. McLane.
10.20 ..	A. N. and Q. A. A. Macfadyen.
10.24 ..	E. T. McMullen, W. Hewitt.
10.28 ..	R. G. Parker, Capt. Thursby.
10.32 ..	Major Hogg, M. L. Reidy.
10.36 ..	W. L. Alexander, J. Harrop.
10.40 ..	Lieut. Carter, G. T. Harrington.
10.44 ..	T. W. Chattey, D. B. Evans.
10.48 ..	Col. MacPherson, Capt. Tomlinson.

New Course

9.20 a.m.	D. S. Edward, A. L. Eastman.
9.25 ..	L. Goldman, T. Y. C. Lee.
9.30 ..	C. M. Stark, F. E. D'Almada Remedios.
9.35 ..	T. A. Pearce, E. F. Fincher.
9.40 ..	F. A. Redmond, E. J. M. Churn.
9.45 ..	Col. Rose, R. G. McKenzie.
9.50 ..	S. Tomlinson, W. Kershaw.
9.52 ..	J. Linaker, J. J. von Muhlen.
9.56 ..	Comdr. Hole, T. Megarry.
10.00 ..	T. G. C. Knight, A. M. Kennedy.
10.04 ..	F. Buckle, W. F. Kerr.
11.16 ..	R. Parkin, C. S. Clarke.
11.20 ..	Capt. Fraser, Capt. Lynch.

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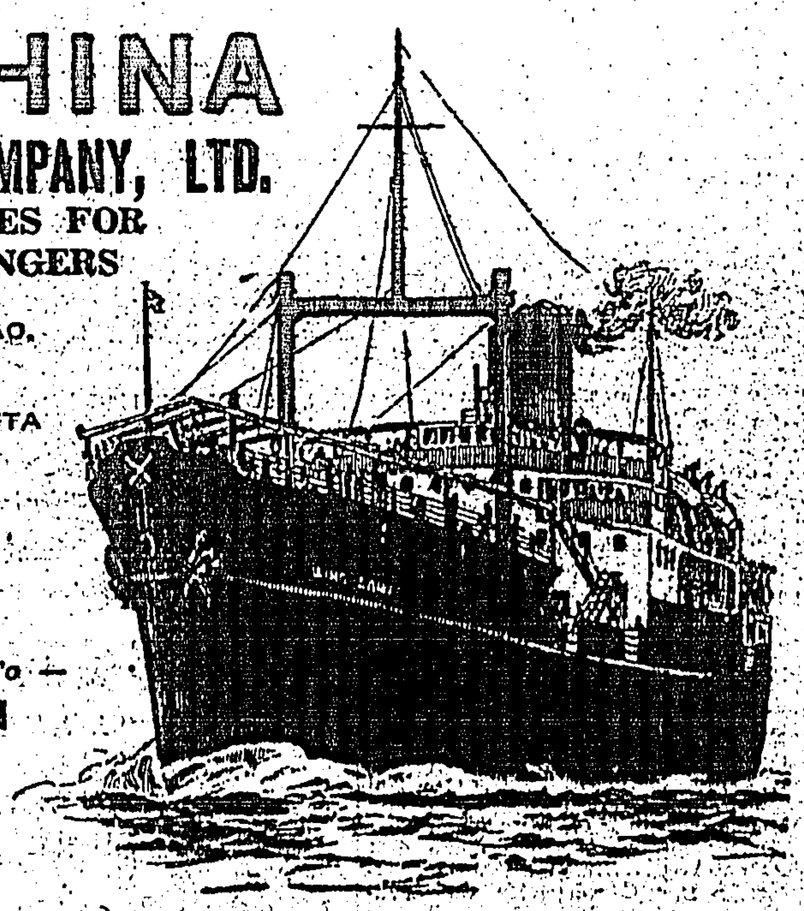

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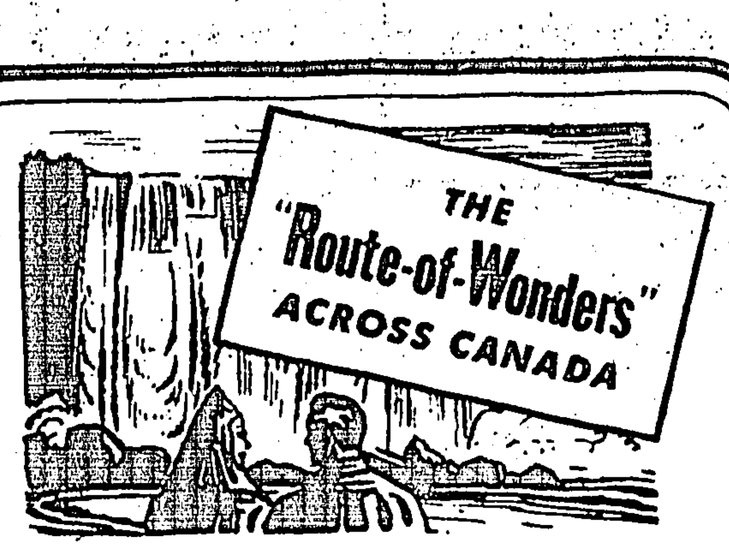

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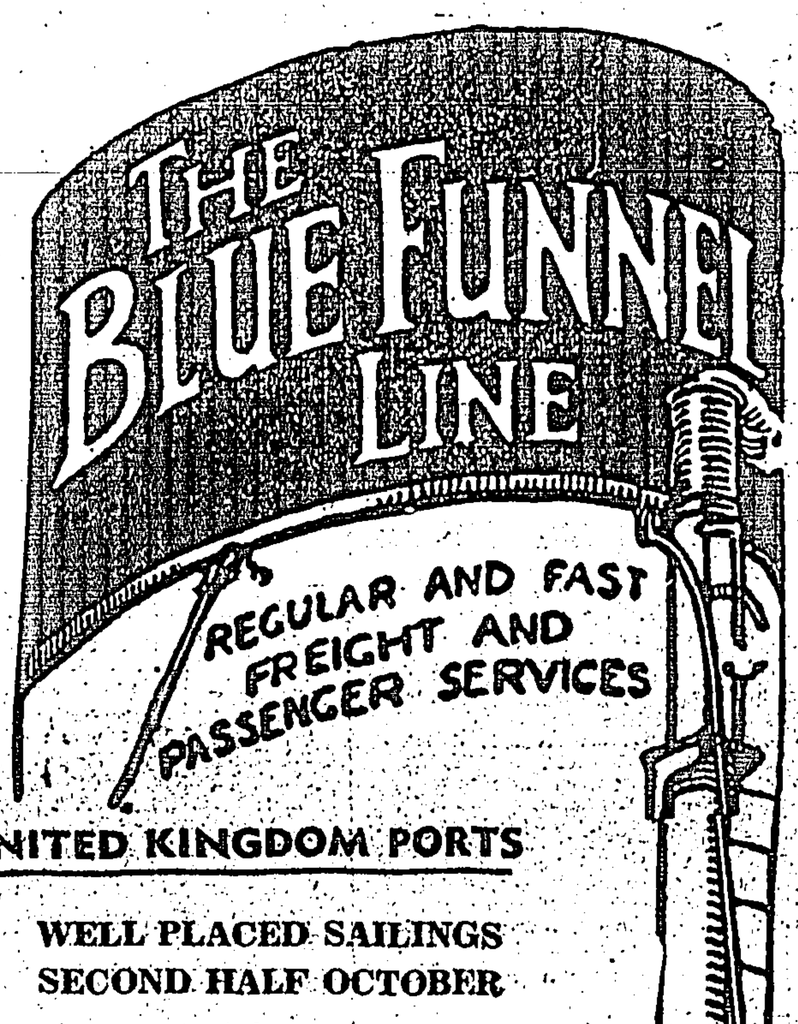

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RADIO

12.30 p.m.—"Fats" Waller in a Swing Programme.
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1.45 p.m.—Compositions of Bizet.
"The Fair Maid of Perth"—Suite.
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"Carmen"—Captain, It seems Two Girls had a Sharp Quarrel.
6.00 p.m.—Dance Music.
7.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
7.15 p.m.—London Relay—Topical Talks.
7.30 p.m.—Tunes of Not-So-Long-Ago.
8.03 p.m.—Orchestral Selections.
8.15 p.m.—Studio—Recital by Y. K. Sze (Bass) with E. O'Neil Shaw at the Piano.
1. (a) "Infelice! e tuo credevi" from "Ernani" (Verdi); (b) "King Henry's Prayer" from "Lohengrin" (Wagner)....Y. K. Sze (Bass) with piano accompaniment.
2. Piano Solo—Selected....E. O'Neil Shaw.
3. (a) "Proud and Peerless" from "Guselda" (Buononcini); (b) "Caro mio ben" (Giordani); (c) "Calm as the Night" (Bohm).

8.40 p.m.—Albeniz—Suite Iberia. Madrid Symphony Orchestra cond. by Enrique Fernandez Arbos.
9.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News & News Commentaries.
9.30 p.m.—London Relay—Talk: "Books and People".
9.45 p.m.—Short Recital by Beniamino Gigli (Tenor) and Pau Casals ('Cello).
Eres Tu (Sandoval); If I Could Forget Your Eyes (Albeniz)....Beniamino Gigli (Tenor) with Orch.
Les Compliments (Cassado)....Pau Casals ('Cello) with Piano.
I Still Seem to Hear (from 'The Pearl Fishers'—Bizet); O Charming Hour ('Manon'—Massenet)....Gigli (Tenor) with Orch.
Moment Musical (Schubert); Le Cygne (Saint-Saens)....Pau Casals ('Cello) with Piano.
10.10 p.m.—Berlioz—Symphonie Fantastique, Op. 14.
1st Mov. Reveries, Passions; 2nd Mov. Un Bal; 3rd Mov. Scene aux champs; 4th Mov. Marche au Supplice; 5th Mov. Songe d'une nuit du Sabbat....Orchestra De La Societe Des Concerts Du Conservatoire cond. by Bruno Walter.
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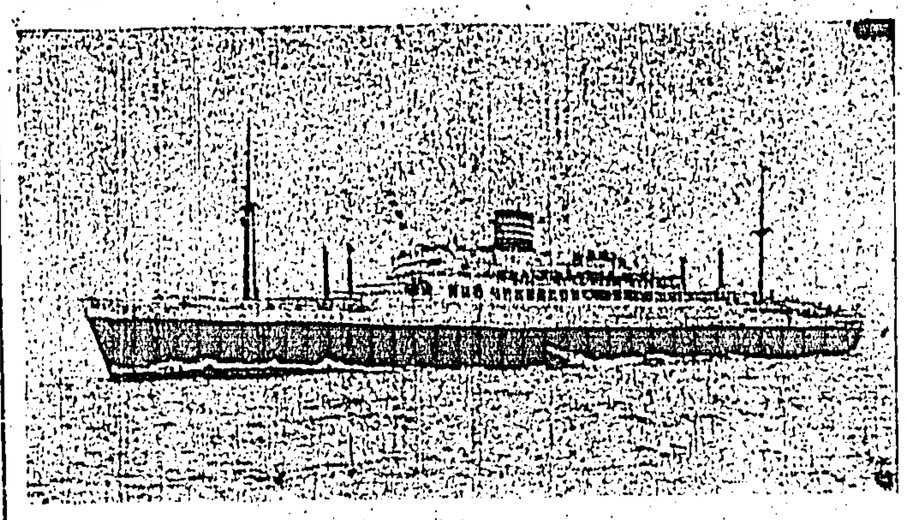

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The Preliminary International Matches Most Disappointing

Standard Of Bowling Generally Poor

MALAYA'S LATE EFFORT AGAINST IRELAND

By "Skip"

THE GOODLY NUMBER OF SPECTATORS WHO TURNED UP TO SEE THE PRELIMINARY ROUND OF THE GUTIERREZ INTERNATIONAL CUP LAST SUNDAY, MUST HAVE BEEN DISAPPOINTED AT THE FARE PROVIDED.

The standard of bowling was for the most part not high although many good shots were played — two notable ones coming from Raoul Luz towards the finish of the game between Portugal and India which the latter won.

With the score 16/12 against Portugal at the last head, Joe Luz lay a couple when the younger Rumjahn drew the first shot some few inches short of the jack. Luz came up on the backhand with some running on, to face this out and lay two again, then, with his second wood, he added another shot amid applause And this was renewed when U.M. Omar drew the very first shot with his first wood and carefully discarded the other one.

Joe Luz has played better and A. H. Rumjahn had the edge on him as lead, but Raoul Luz balanced matters by beating the young Rumjahn, who was off throughout. Both K. M. and U. M. Omar were better than their opposites, Chico Ribeiro inclining to be on the short side at vital times and C. G. Silva, who was prone to drive too often I thought, failing to connect with his usual regularity.

China Crushed

The Philippines and China match was simply a walkover for the former after the first seven heads, when the scores were equal. After that the Philippines added no less than 22 shots to China's singleton. The victory by nearly 20 shots, I may add, was not due so much to the good play of the winners as to the ineptitude of China's four, who were sadly disappointing.

The standard of play was possibly a little higher in the game between Ireland and Malaya but even here it was nothing to write home about and many of the heads had a slight indication of Epping Forest about them, the timber was so scattered!

Chris Dowman, on his home green, did quite well as lead for Ireland, while I thought Bakar, who played three instead of number two as originally announced, was as good as any of the Malayan four. Ireland always had the lead on Malaya but the latter had just a possibility of winning when they pulled up to within three of the Irish score at the penultimate end. With the enemy lying at this last head, Abbas made a desperate effort to kill the head but only succeeded in removing his second shot, which gave Ireland a flattering three and a win by half a dozen shots.

GOVT. HOUSE LAWN BOWLS

His Excellency Lieutenant-Gen. E. F. Norton, C.B., D.S.O., M.C., entertained the following, who represented the Bowlsters and Kowloon Bowling Green Cub, at a bowls game held at Government House, at 3.30 p.m. on Wednesday.

The following participated:—

Bowlsters:—W. Walker, N. L. Smith, Dr. Newton, J. Deakin 15; J. A. Fraser, Sir A. MacGregor, J. Smith, S. H. Dodwell 23; W. A. Cornell, F. Flippance, E. Searle, H. H. Pegg 15.

Kowloon Bowling Green Club:—A. Morton, E. A. Atkins; J. S. Dinnen, A. J. Hall 20; R. Phillips, S. C. Walker, E. Lovett, R. Duncan 9; H. C. Sprong, G. Elphick, J. E. Hetson, H. Lockhart 21.

"CHINA MAIL" CUP MATCHES FOR WEEK-END

The following is the week-end programme of matches in the "China Mail" Cup competition.

TO-MORROW

At Kowloon Football Club, 3.30 p.m.
3rd Battery v. No. 2 Coy. "E"
At Kowloon Cricket Club, 3.30 p.m.
Pay Section v. Field Engr. "B"

SUNDAY

At C.S.C.C., 10.00 a.m.
5th Battery v. Stanley "A"
This match will not be played unless both England and Scotland lose their International games on Saturday.
At Kowloon B.G.C., 10.00 a.m.
No. 3 Coy. "B" v. 1st Battery "A"
At Kowloon Cricket Club, 10.00 a.m.
5th Battery "B" v. 1st Battery "B"

"CHINA MAIL" CUP

UNEXPECTED RESULTS AND CLOSE FINISHES

By "Skip"

SEVEN MORE MATCHES IN THE "CHINA MAIL" CHALLENGE CUP COMPETITION WERE PLAYED OVER THE WEEK-END AND THERE WERE SOME UNEXPECTED RESULTS AS WELL AS A FEW EXCEPTIONALLY CLOSE FINISHES.

The match between Field Ambulance "B" and Second Battery comes under both categories. The latter team, as I have previously commented, looked pretty strong and I expected it to reach the next round at least. But the Medicals, for whom Bob Leigh played well as third man, caught the Gunners a little off their game, especially Tommy Carr who could do nothing right apart from an odd wick or two.

The winning skip secured what will undoubtedly be the best shot of the whole competition when he won the game for his side with his last wood.

His team, after a close game, fell into arrears of five shots with three heads to go—a quite intriguing position. Then good bowling brought them a couple of threes and a lead of one when the last head began. Second Battery seemed assured of victory when they lay two good shots, one of them being in the ditch and less than a foot away from the kitty which had, of course, been trailed. But Steven pulled out a perfect shot which rested right at the edge of the green and almost caressed the jack, to literally snatch a victory.

First Battery Successes

Both First Battery teams won and here again close results were returned, the "A" team, captained by the O.C., getting home by 3 shots and the "B" four winning by a singleton. In both cases they came up well after trailing, "A" being 14/7 down at one stage of the game and "B" even worse off. The arrival of the Second-in-Command seemed to act as an inspiration to the O.C.'s rink which set about its task well and, recording a four, the biggest count in a low-scoring game, at 19th, they took the lead for the first time.

Jack Carr of the Civil Service Club, played a very useful game as second man but his woods were usually bumped off the jack by one or other of his opponents, of whom Bovaird, as skip, was the most deadly.

He was drawing very well to begin with but when pound-on shots were called for later, he was equally good.

Bickford, the Battery's third man, was chiefly responsible for his side's win though Capt. Jack Watson played some good woods.

First Battery's "B" team, composed largely of "unknowns," created one of the biggest upsets to date when they eliminated another Scottish team in charge of John Revie, the Kowloon Dock lead, which looked quite useful.

Lapsley Brilliant

Young Bob Lapsley was brilliant as lead for this rink whilst footballer Williamson showed a distinct aptitude for the game, as second man to Revie; neither McMaster nor the Scottish skip were consistent enough, however. I have said that the Battery team contained some unknowns but it was probably this factor which encouraged the opposition to take things too easily; that factor and the unbounded enthusiasm of the Gunners, especially Stone, who enjoyed every moment of the game. It was, I hear, his first effort at bowls and he, like his opposite number, showed great promise.

With the scores tied at 23, the Scottish four lay a nice couple when Jack came up with a little running, glanced off a side wood—which is a polite way of saying he wicked in—and lay on the kitty, Revie failing rather badly to save.

Two teams from Stanley were engaged at Kowloon Bowling Green Club but only the "A" four skipped by Bagley, emerged victorious, Jillott's rink collapsing in the last seven ends to Field Engineers "A", to lose by nearly a dozen. Sykes proved very useful as lead to the winners, whilst Capt. Bottomley, who came in as a substitute in the team's first game, showed a decided improvement and was often dangerous. He had the great asset, unusual in a learner, of never being short. The losers included a five and a three in their score of 12, and scored on only 6 of the ends, so it can be said they deserved to go down in spite of some good play by McCutcheon and Jillott.

Walter Bagley's four commenced with a five against Tom Stainton and never lost the lead, though the Scottish four pulled up well midway through, only to concede eight in the last three ends and lose by a dozen shots, which rather flattered the winners, I am told.

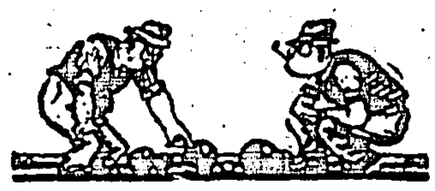
Sappers Start Well

Field Engineers "C" from Kowloon Dock began like the proverbial house on fire against Field Ambulance "A," chalking up 15 to their opponents' singleton in their first half dozen ends, to make victory a moral certainty. The Medicals struggled on gamely but could make little headway against an enemy which took few risks after securing its winning lead. Alec Calman and Tony Noronha had a good struggle as leads with the former having a slight edge.

After an even start, the score being 6/5 in their favour after 6 heads, the A.S.C. Coy. "delivered the goods" in bulk against Scottish Coy's "C" team skipped by Capt. Brown, of the Hong Kong Cricket Club. A six, followed by a couple of threes and a four sealed the fate of the Infantrymen, who suffered the biggest defeat of the day. For the winners Fred Cullen and Willie Hyde, the two front men, really won the game as they outbowled Curtis and Morrison. John Gill as three was the best player on the losing side but his task was an unenviable one—the head was always against him when he bowled.

HOCKEY ASSN: TOURNAMENT

Hon. Secretaries of Hockey Clubs are reminded that entries for the Hong Kong Hockey Association Tournament close tomorrow and should be sent to Mr. D. T. Smith, c/o the Harbour Office as soon as possible.



"SKIP" SAYS —

UNFINISHED GAMES SHOULD BE REPLAYED

I have commented in the past on the necessity for having a set of rules for the running of our League, as distinct from the I.B.B. rules which cover only the question of the actual playing of the game of lawn bowls.

A perfect example of the need for these rules was provided on Saturday last when the Civil Servants went over to Kowloon Dock to continue an unfinished game which had been interrupted by rain some weeks ago.

It has been the custom to carry on from the old score as is done for singles games, the skips who were drawn together in the first game, continuing their battle. And here is where the difficulty arises—for in the game on which I am hinging my remarks, only one of the original skips was playing.

Elaboration of the subject is not called for but I give my remedy again, that is that all unfinished games be cancelled and re-commenced as an entirely new game.

No hardship would be entailed and the rule would be the same for every team.

On Saturday the Civil Servants turned up one man short and, as they were in arrears in the original game, they conceded the points to Kowloon Dock and played a friendly game instead.

ABBAS'S GREAT RALLY

Close finishes featured the semi-final games in the Open Singles Lawn Bowls Championship yesterday at the Kowloon Bowling Green Club; M. R. Abbas of Indian Recreation Club beat U. M. Omar, holder, by 21-20 on the 27th head and M. N. Rakusen beat F. J. Jones by 21-18 on the 22nd head.

Omar started off well and at the 10th head was leading Abbas by 14 shots to 2 and at the 15th had increased this lead to 18—16. At this stage the odds against Abbas winning were very great but the Sookunpoo player staged a rally as great as that of Omar's in the final last year against Dallah.

At the 24th head he was being led by only 19—18 and the game had taken on a different complexion. Abbas was now playing confidently, while Omar was not so brilliant as at the start.

At the 27th head Abbas was lying three, Omar took a wood out and the impression both players had was that Abbas was only lying one. It was a surprise to both when Abbas was told that he had two and had won the game!

Head	U. M. Omar Shots	U. M. Omar Total	M. R. Abbas Shots	M. R. Abbas Total
1	1	1	0	1
2	1	2	0	0
3	0	2	1	1
4	4	6	0	1
5	0	6	1	2
6	1	7	0	2
7	1	8	0	2
8	2	10	0	2
9	1	11	0	2
10	3	14	0	2
11	0	14	1	3
12	0	14	2	5
13	0	14	1	6
14	1	15	0	6
15	3	18	0	6
16	0	18	1	7
17	0	18	1	8
18	0	18	2	10
19	0	18	1	11
20	0	18	2	13
21	1	19	0	13
22	0	19	1	14
23	0	19	3	17
24	0	19	1	18
25	1	20	0	18
26	0	20	1	19
27	0	20	2	21

"Possible" Starts Rakusen Recovery

Jones was leading Rakusen 11-7 at the 12th head but the latter scored a possible at the next and added further points at the next four heads to lead by 17-11.

A four at the 20th, following by a two at the next brought the scores to 19-19 in favour of Rakusen, who scored the required two at the next head.

Head	M. N. Rakusen Shots	M. N. Rakusen Total	F. J. Jones Shots	F. J. Jones Total
1	1	1	0	0
2	0	1	1	1
3	0	1	3	4
4	0	1	1	5
5	2	3	0	5
6	1	4	0	5
7	0	4	1	6
8	0	4	2	8
9	2	6	0	8
10	0	6	1	9
11	1	7	0	9
12	0	7	2	11
13	4	11	0	11
14	1	12	0	11
15	1	13	0	11
16	2	15	0	11
17	2	17	0	11
18	0	17	1	12
19	2	19	0	12
20	0	19	4	16
21	0	19	2	18
22	2	21	0	18

SOCCER REVIEW

THE ERSTWHILE PESSIMISTS PROVIDE ALL THE SURPRISES

Kowloon F.C. Start Badly But Now Going Great Guns

Splendid Form Of Lee Wai-Tong

By "Referee"

NOW THAT THE LOCAL FOOTBALL SEASON HAS BEEN IN PROGRESS FOR JUST OVER A MONTH, IT IS POSSIBLE TO APPRAISE THE STRENGTH OF THE VARIOUS TEAMS PARTICIPATING IN THE FOOTBALL LEAGUE, WHICH UP TO NOW HAS HAD LITTLE INTERRUPTION THROUGH MILITARY OR OTHER CAUSES.

Several clubs started the present season very gloomily and could not gaze into the future with much confidence but strangely enough these are the very clubs which so far are providing all the surprises to date.

Kowloon were badly beaten in their first game, by South China, but have since earned the enviable distinction of having upset several good teams. Their victory against much fancied Kwong Wah can be regarded as a creditable accomplishment while they also did well to snatch a point from both Middlesex and Eastern.

In the latter match they were unfortunate in not securing a win as they were leading until near the end

Best Pivot

Williamson, undoubtedly the best pivot in the Colony at present, has been the mainstay of the defence and all forwards find him a great obstacle. Kowloon have now gathered together a very useful and well-balanced team which should cause many more upsets.

Injuries, transfers and departures hit St. Joseph's badly before the season commenced and after being beaten by Club, in their first game, they have gone about team-building in a very earnest manner. The result is that today, Saints have a team that can give the best a run for their money. Leonard, Bowen and Hussain have been placed in the defence to strengthen it, while several Chinese schoolboys, whose only football hitherto has been in the small ball league, have come on exceedingly well.

The forward line is a tricky one and do well up to the penalty area but they do not take full advantage when in shooting distance.

Gomes, MacDonald and C. Santos are all good midfield players and an improvement in their shooting will carry St. Joseph's very high in the League Table.

South China had only Lee Wai-tong and Tam Kwan-kon of last year's champion team a week before the first game, but with the return of a number of their old players they now form the greatest threat to Sing Tao for honours. The two teams meet this week-end at Caroline Hill.

South China's intermediate line is not particularly strong, though the inclusion of Lau Hing-choy has remedied it somewhat.

Lee Shooting Well

Those who have seen Lee Wai-tong play this season will agree that he is showing better form than for many seasons past. His shooting is still good but he does not expect the same passes from his present colleagues as when Fung and Lai were with him, and as a result he does more work. Chan Tak-fai is another South China forward who needs watching.

Return of Hau Ching-to, Chan Kam-hoi, Cheung Yung-sum and the inclusion of several Shanghai players has placed Eastern in a

strong position although they were rudely shocked by Kowloon last week.

Eastern were forced to give Sing Tao a "walk over" in the first game as they were then unable to raise a team but in the next game gave indications of being a leading team in First Division.

The ready-made Sing Tao team is still undefeated and fancied in some quarters to be a good tip for the championship They have a well-balanced and experienced team, and as long as they are fortunate as regards injuries they should do well. It is interesting to note that most of their players have been playing for some years and may be giving up soccer soon, while there are no outstanding players in the Junior team.

The much touted Kwong Wah team has done nothing of note to date and unless they show an improvement then are likely to be very low in the league. Apparently the blending of Chinese and Portuguese players has not produced the desired results and they have secured only one point in the four games so far played.

A. V. Gosano has not turned out for them in the last two games while Yeung Tse-chong, their pivot, is on the injured list and playing with the juniors.

Inconsistency

The three Service teams, Middlesex, Royal Scots and Navy have not produced consistent form this season. Middlesex did well to beat Navy and though they had their share of the game against Eastern and South China they were badly beaten. Sheehan has played in several positions, starting in the intermediate line; he is now leading the attack. Freshwater is playing very well as full-back and effectively stopped Lee Wai-tong on numerous occasions last week.

One can never be certain what the Royal Scots will do. They did well to beat South China in the first game, lapsed badly against Eastern and St. Joseph's and came back strongly on Sunday to beat Kwong Wah.

Royals have a good defence and when their forwards are on form are able to upset the best.

Navy are handicapped by not being able to field the same team each week. With the best team available they have a good side as O'Regan, Hendy, Roughley and Honeywell are all players of no mean class.

Club obtained two points in their first game against St. Joseph's but have not done well thereafter as they find it hard to field a good team regularly owing to military and other duties. Club have in the past upset good teams and should be able to collect more points before the end of the season.

Police secured their first point last week against St. Joseph's and have lost the majority of their games through their own fault and in the closing stages of the games. They have the same team as last year. In fact they are occasionally strengthened by Pope, at right-half, but their forwards seldom seem able to finish their movements.

Sappers' Fine Team

Royal Engineers seem set for Second Division honours. They have a team which would do well in the Senior League. Their best feat was when they beat Sing Tao, who had several First Division players in the side including Soong Ling-sing, Fung Kwan-shing, and Ip Pak-wah.

Royal Scots and Service Corps are their greatest challengers.

The Third Division title seems to lie between Royal Air Force and International though 24th A.A. and 38th R.A. are showing improved form.

BOWLING ALLEY JOTTINGS

By "STRIKE"

THE fourth leg of the 20-game Challenge match between Doc Molthen partnered by Ernie Hearther and Corp. Blount partnered by Corp. Watts was played off on October 17, and resulted in a "headache" for the former who only just scraped home by 21 pins.

This was an extraordinary close call because, the eventual winners were 196 pins in the lead on the first three legs. The individual scores in the last leg were as follows:—

Corp. Blount	958	Ernie Hearther	880
Corp. Watts	872	Doc Molthen	775
	1830		1655

There was no doubt of the superiority of Blount and Watts in this match over their opponents. Blount was easily top scorer with a brilliant 958, or 191.3 pins per game, this being also the second highest score for the 20 games played, Hearther being top scorer with 968 made on the third leg.

Incidentally, Blount secured the only 200's, during the fourth leg when he bagged a 209 on his second game and 201 on his fifth game.

His partner (Watts) materially assisted Blount with a good 872 pins or an average of 174.2 pins per game, but he would undoubtedly have done much better had he not failed on his fourth game to make a mediocre 149. Had he made on his fourth game the average of his first, second, third and fifth games, which was 181, they would have won the match.

Neither Hearther nor Molthen shone so well as in their former encounters, although Ernie made a useful 880 or an average of 176 pins per game and Molthen put up a lowly 775 or an average of 155 pins per game, which almost lost them the match. It is rather interesting to note the scores for the 20 games of the challenge match by the four players in the order of scores:—

Blount:—	189, 186, 136, 148, 166, 198, 159, 163, 212, 169, 175, 162, 170, 212, 210, 186, 209, 196, 166, and 201. Total—3613.
Hearther:—	212, 152, 157, 165, 190, 181, 186, 167, 164, 179, 208, 195, 208, 165, 192, 151, 178, 173, 187 and 191. Total—3601.
Molthen:—	168, 173, 158, 182, 149, 207, 172, 137, 188, 212, 174, 197, 163, 190, 180, 157, 157, 150, 156 and 155. Total—3425.
Watts:—	201, 182, 172, 174, 120, 163, 165, 138, 178, 148, 168, 194, 187, 193, 137, 176, 176, 177, 149 and 194. Total—3392.

The aggregate scores for the 20 games for Hearther and Molthen was 7026 and for Blount and Watts 7005, thus they were down only 21 pins on the 20 games played. It certainly was about the closest finish I have ever seen in any Indoor Bowling Alleys, either English or American bowling. The averages for all four players are worthy of note and were as follows:—Blount 180.65 pins per game; Hearther 180.5 pins per game; Molthen 171.25 pins per game; and Watts 169.6 pins per game. Throughout the 20 games there were no fewer than 11 scores of over 200 registered, Blount bagging five of them—212, 212, 210, 209, and 201. Hearther netted three—212, 208, 208—and Molthen two, a 207 and 212, while Watts had one, 201.

Ewo Indoor Bowling League

The management of the Hong Kong Bowling Alley's, in conjunction with the representatives, in Hong Kong, of the Ewo Brewery Company of Shanghai, have decided to commence another tourney for the Ewo Indoor Bowling League Cup, at Ten Pins. This Cup was very kindly presented by the Ewo Brewery Co., and will be on display in the Alley throughout the competition. There are eight teams entered and it is hoped that a match can be played off this week-end, failing which, there will certainly be one or two matches played the following week. Entries have been received from the following teams:—

"Marcel Boys". A team mainly composed of our friends from the Royal Naval Hospital, that is Lewis, Hewitt, Nunn and Neale.

Argonauts. This team is the old original one with the exception of the inclusion of C.P.O. Woods of the U.S.S. Asheville fame, the team being Ismail, Birkett, C.P.O. Wood and Hall.

Asheville Ships Team. Is composed of our old friends from the Asheville, Harvey Balaski, Harman and Fleming.

Termites. Is mainly from Jardine, Matheson and Company, Parsons, Gaubert, Stone and Darby.

The Buglers. Composed of Wathen, McLaren, Neate and Wilkins from the Royal Corps of Signals.

Wash-Outs. This team is composed of the Odell Brothers, Talan and C.P.O. Summers of Asheville.

Dare Devils. Are our old friends, Blount, Watts, Landolt and Gaddi.

The Hijackers. Are two of the old Champs team, Hearther and Molthen with two newcomers to match play in these Alleys, Waller and Williams.

The Draw

The draw for the first round is as follows:—

Hijackers v. Termites.
Asheville Ship Team v. Dare Devils.
Buglers v. Argonauts.
Wash-Outs v. Marcel Boys.

The conditions with regard to the closing dates for each round and the final are as follows:—First round to be completed by November 7; Second round to be completed by November 14; Final to be completed by November 21.

To facilitate the smooth running of this Tourney, the Teams are specially requested to get in touch with the Manager of the Hong Kong Bowling Alleys, giving him the date most suitable to them.

Up to the time of writing these jottings the highest scores for the month on the monthly record boards are as follows:—

TEN PINS

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Men:—L. C. Garrett	232

DUCK PINS

Ladies:—Mrs. E. Soong	134
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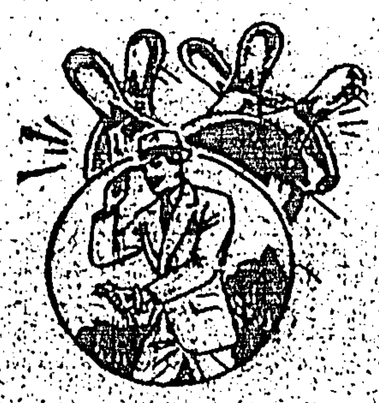

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ARMY SPORTLIGHT

By "Squaddy"

Rowing

AT the Annual General meeting of the Area Rowing committee held on Tuesday the following dates were suggested for the Area Rowing regatta. If sufficient entries were forthcoming the heats would be held on Tuesday November 12th, and the finals on November 13; if not, only one day would be necessary, the latter date.

There are about 12 teams entered so far for this event and are made up from the following units.

12th Hvy. Regt., R.A., 5th A.A. Regt., R.A., 1st Bn. The Middlesex Regiment, Carrier Platoon of the Royal Scots, Royal Engineers, and the Royal Army Service Corps. The regatta will take place at Stonecutters starting at 2.30 each day. The Sappers are hot favourites for this regatta and are after retaining the "Ah King" Cup once again this year. The Carrier Platoon of the Scots have got together their own gig, and are entering the regatta on their own accord, which I think is a grand effort on the part of the Platoon Commander, Lieut. G. D. Dunlop, M.C.

12 Coy., R.A.S.C. are entering teams in for the "Brown" Cup, The "Ah King" Cup, and the "Chaplain" Cup.

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Small Units Football

THE last game to be played in the first round of the Small Units football knockout competition was concluded between the 12th Hvy. Bty. R.A. and "B" Coy. of the Middies, which resulted in a win for the former by 3 goals to 1. The second round of this competition is to be played off before November 11, and the following is the revised draw for the Second Round:—40 (F) Coy R.E. v HQ Coy 1/Mx.; 36th Hvy Bty R.A. v 20th Hvy Bty R.A.; 12th Hvy Bty R.A. v HQ Coy 2/R. Scots; A Coy 2/Scots v 22 (F) Coy R.E.; A Coy 1/Mx. v D Coy 2/R. Scots; R.A.F. v B Coy 2/R. Scots; C Coy 2/R. Scots v 12 Coy R.A.S.C.; and 6 Section R.A.O.C. v 24th Hvy Bty R.A.

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Association Football

THIS week the Royal Scots are playing the Navy at Causeway Bay, kick off 4.30 p.m. This should be worth watching especially as the Navy this season are playing excellent football and the Scots, who defeated the KWONG WAH football Club last week by 5 goals to 2, will want watching. They have a sound defence in Fraser and Naysmith, not to mention Duncan in goal. The Middlesex are playing St. Joseph's at Sookunpoo and would not have much trouble in taking both points if they changed their forward-line a little.

The Engineers played the Signals in a scruff match at Happy Valley on Wednesday, which resulted in a draw of two goals each. Shepperd and Clare scored for the Signals, and Warton and Dix for the Sappers.

On Tuesday the Engineers again played and drew with the Hong Kong Club 1—1, at the Club's ground. Denyer, Homburg and Shaw all played excellent games, with Groston playing an outstanding game at centre-half. Shaw scored for the Sappers, and they were unlucky to lose, having most of the game and being superior in all positions.

Cpl. Edmunds of Royal Air Force, who has represented the Royal Air Force at "Home," will I think, be able to gain his place in the Combined Services team which will play the rest on November 11. He is an excellent left back, and his performances are of consistent excellency. Cpl. Cuthbert of the same unit is also worth a trial.

Hockey

AT Boundary Street Middlesex seniors beat Police by four goals to two, Bds Hymas scoring the hat-trick, with L/Cpl. Moggeridge netting the other goal. Next Sunday the Middlesex first eleven will entertain the C.B.A. first team at Shamshuipo, bully off 4.30 p.m. The C.B.A. are turning out their strongest team and this should be a good game, and worth watch.

The 5th Battalion 7th Rajput Regt., who have only just arrived in the Colony, made a fine debut in the hockey world on Saturday by defeating the Nomads. One of their players has played in the Indian Olympic trials and should be strong assistance to them in the Hockey League here. Capt. Wood is an excellent player and no doubt will gain his place in the Army side. On Wednesday the Sappers beat the Signals in a scrappy game at Sookunpoo by 3 goals to 2, Westwood getting the hat-trick and Wright (1), Holland (1) scoring for Signals.

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Cricket

ON Wednesday Royal Scots defeated the Middies in a friendly at the C.B.S. ground by 60 runs. The Middies were all out for 46 runs, Bateman taking 3 wickets for 7 runs, and Emmerson 3 wickets for 6 runs. The Scots replied with 106, Lieut. Fargus making 24 runs and Capt. Patterson 29 runs. Hatfield took 6 wickets for 32 runs, and Nicholson 3 wickets for 10 runs.

Rugby Football

At Sookunpoo on Wednesday the Service Corps beat the Signal by 17 runs. The Signals were all out for 74 runs and the Corps replied with 91 runs. Martin did some excellent bowling for the Service Corps by taking 7 wickets for 32 ruuns, and Young took 2 for 33 runs. Jones scored 24 not out for the Service Corps, with Logan the Army player getting 16 not out, and Brown 17 before being stumped. Dixon with 18 was the Signals' highest scorer.

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MEDICAL Corps are doing rather well at Rugby this season so far and last week added another wins to their credit.

The first victory was over the Combined Destroyers of the Royal Navy whom they beat 13—3. Capt. Barclay of the Medics played a good game and often prevented the opposing threequarters from getting a touchdown. The threequarters all worked well together throughout the game, the most outstanding players being Major Harvey, Lieut. Coombes, and Pte. Macdonald. The other game resulted in a draw with one of H. M. Ships of 3 points all. It was pretty even throughout and Capt. Scriven worked well all the time. The Medics were without the services of two of their star players in Lieut. Coombes, and Pte. Macdonald.

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Hockey Umpires

IT is understand that L/Cpl. Dove of the Signals has been holding classes for hockey umpires, and anyone interested is asked to communicate with him. I am sure that he will be only too willing to help any of the service personel.

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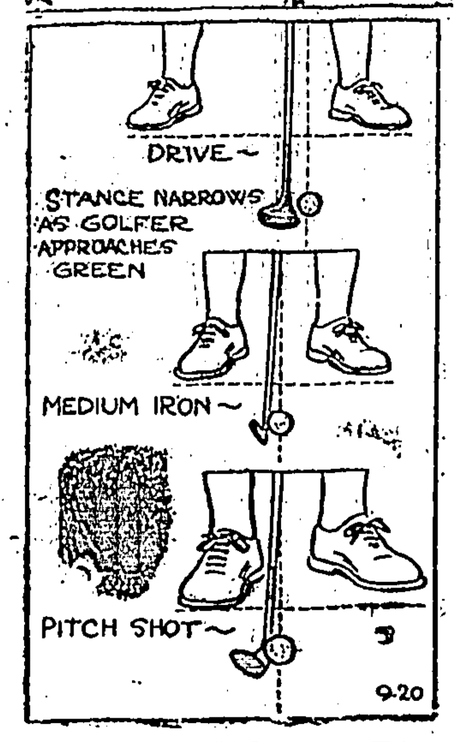

HOW STANCE VARIES

BY BEST BALL

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For the shorter shots the feet are brought closer together and the body nearer the ball. Here a premium is paid on accuracy and this can be better accomplished by using an upright swing, which requires closer proximity to the ball. A guide to the correct position is given by a graduated set of clubs suited to the player. The player should stand naturally so that these clubs have their soles flat on the turf, neither the heels nor the toes of the clubhead raised.

Next Article: — Curing a Hook.

ARMY SOCCER TRIAL

Following have been chosen to participate in an Army football trial game at Sookunpoo on Wednesday at 4.30 p.m.

Probables: — Moxham (Engineers); Freshwater (Middlesex) and Hamlen (Service Corps); Birrell (Engineers), Guy (30th R.A.) and Wilkinson (Middlesex); Coomer (Middlesex), Morgan (Service Corps), Fox (Engineers), Clarke (Service Corps) and Martin (Service Corps).

Possibles: — Duncan (Royal Scots); Naysmith (Royal Scots); Lawson (Royal Artillery); Shaw (Engineers), Bright (Middlesex), and Falconer (Royal Scots); Lam Wai-lun (Engineers), Pearson (Middlesex), Hossack (Royal Scots), Young (Service Corps) and Duffield (Ordnance).

Reserves: — Pelham (Engineers), Jackson (Middlesex) Parnaby (Royal Scots) and Hole (Royal Artillery).

NAVY RUGBY TEAMS

Following will represent Navy to-morrow against Club;

1st XV:—F/Lt. Wright; Tel. Bowden, Tel. Paul, Tel. Honeywill and S/L. McGill; S/L. Rutherford and Lt. Carter; L.S.A. Palmer, Lt. Watson; Sgt. Manfield; F/Lt. Taylor, C.P.O. Wtr. King; Lt. (E) Brown, S/L. Carey and A.B. Longmuir.

"A" XV:—P.O. Clough; L.A.C. Gracie, Cdt. Lamble P.O. Wilson and P.O. Skinner; S/L Smith and A.B. Gallagher; S/L. Eager, Tel. Porter, S/L. Beattie; P/O. Baugh, L.S. Jones; S/L. Danger, S/L. Young and Ord. Sea. Taylor.

Reserves:—L.S.B.A. Addis, A.B. Lilley, A.B. Lovelock, L.S. Mitchell, A.B. Williams, Tel. Faulkner and Ldg. Sig. Sandison.

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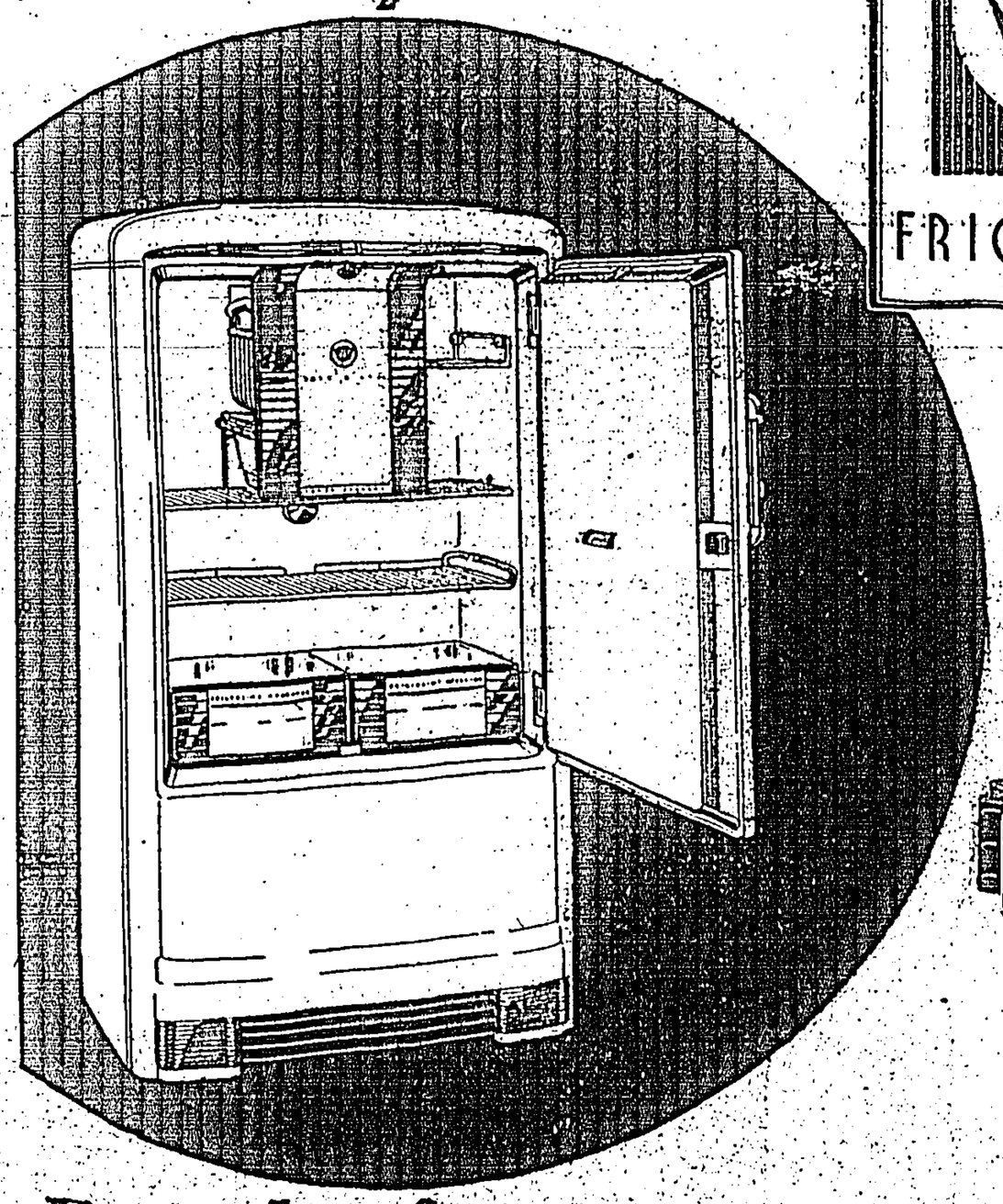

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With the arrival of more trucks and spare parts, freight capacity on the road is expected to be doubled. Its present capacity is 300 tons a day.

The Ministry of Communications has erected a machine-shop in Szechuen for making spare parts while a tire-treading plant is already producing goods in Yunnan.

While prohibiting private trucks from operating on the road, the Chinese communication authorities are also refusing permission to hire trucks from Burma and elsewhere for the shipment of commercial goods to and from China for the next two months at least.

In doing so the Government hopes to get the maximum of goods in and out of the country during the shortest possible period.

The Minister of Communications has formulated a plan for A.A. defences along the road which has been submitted to the Government for approval.

Supply Of Drugs

Mr. John Earl Baker, representative of the American Red Cross, declared yesterday that 650 tons of drugs sent by the American Red Cross were in Rangoon awaiting transportation to the interior. Fifteen tons of quinine had also been purchased by the American Red Cross for distribution in China.—Reuter.

Queen Mary visiting the "Spare a Trinket" Fund, the subsidiary branch of the Duchess of Northumberland's Comforts Fund for the A.T.S. H.M. Queen Mary is looking over the Trinkets and with her are Mrs. Gordon Barry, Mrs. Brian Thursby Pelham, Chairman and Founder of The Trinket Fund, and the Marchioness of Townsend. (Copyright, Fox).

CHEN KUNG-PO NOW "MAYOR" OF SHANGHAI

Wang Ching-wei's newspapers in Shanghai disclosed last night that Chen Kung-po, President of the Legislative Yuan in the Nanking Puppet regime, has been officially appointed "Mayor" of Shanghai.—Our Own Correspondent.

ITALIAN FORCE AMBUSHED

A remarkable action in the Sudan, in which very heavy casualties were inflicted upon the enemy, with no British casualty, was announced in a G.H.Q. communique issued in Cairo yesterday.

The communique says that in the Sudan one of our motorised patrols in the Kassala sector surprised and attacked at close range from the rear a party of approximately 1,000 enemy, inflicting very heavy casualties. Our casualties were nil.

In Egypt, during the night of Tuesday/Wednesday, an enemy camp east of Sidi Barrani was successfully raided.

One prisoner was taken and eight motor transport vehicles destroyed.—Reuter.

POLES MAN SCOTTISH COAST

Polish forces have taken over a sector of the Scottish coast in the coastal defence scheme.

This was announced in a communique issued from General Sikorski's headquarters last night, describing Mr. Churchill's visit to Scotland on Wednesday.

The soldiers who have taken over this sector are the First Polish Army Corps in Scotland.—Reuter.

STOP PRESS

RECORD TRIP ON BURMA ROAD

THE FIRST CONVOY OF CHINESE LORRIES TRAVELLING ALONG THE BURMA ROAD SINCE THE RE-OPENING ARRIVED AT YUNNANFU IN RECORD TIME.

They left Lashio on October 18 and made the 720-miles trip in under three days.

Before the closing of the road it took at least five days to cover the journey.—Reuter.

GERMANY WORKING WAR PRISONERS

News has just reached Polish circles in London that Polish war prisoners are now being employed by the Germans in the reconstruction of German Baltic ports destroyed in air raids by the R.A.F.

Another despatch received in London yesterday said the first batch of German children, numbering 700, evacuated from Berlin on account of air raids, has arrived at Poznan.—Reuter.

POWER RESOURCES IN ST. LAWRENCE

The appointment of a temporary four-man commission to work with a United States committee on the early development of the power resources of the International Rapids section of the St. Lawrence was made in Ottawa yesterday by the office of the Canadian Prime Minister. — Reuter.

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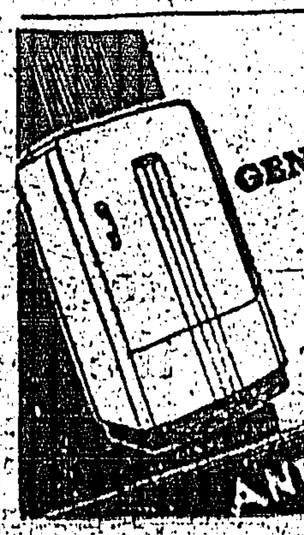

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GERMANY'S BRIBE TO SOVIET

Washington Disclosure Of Thickening Plot

(Exclusive To The "China Mail" By W. W. Fitzmaurice)

IT WAS REPORTED IN WASHINGTON YESTERDAY THAT GERMANY HAS OFFERED RUSSIA ALL ASIATIC TURKEY AS REWARD FOR KEEPING HER HANDS OFF WHILE THE AXIS ARMIES SMASH ACROSS THE DARDANELLES TOWARDS IRAN AND SUEZ.

Diplomatic sources in Washington understand that the Soviet is awaiting developments in Hitler's talks with French and Spanish leaders before deciding whether to aid Turkey or passively to assist the Axis wipe her old friend off the map.

Hitler's meetings with Marshal Petain and General Franco might range the French and Spanish navies beside the Italian with the object of holding the British Mediterranean Fleet at the western end and in the south Atlantic while Axis land forces storm the Dardanelles.

DIPLOMATS POINT OUT THAT THIS WOULD IMPEDE BRITAIN SENDING NAVAL UNITS TO DEFEND CONSTANTINOPLE AND THE DARDANELLES AS THE ANGLO-TURKISH DEFENCE PACT PLEDGES.

Diplomatic quarters believe Hitler also discussed with Marshal Petain the prospective role of the French troops in Syria should the Axis thrust impale Turkey and Iran and then turn to Suez.

State Department officials declined to comment on the reported German plan.

They emphasised, however, that Axis coups in the Near East, no matter how spectacular, will not swerve United States policy of more and greater aid to Britain and China.

An authoritative source said Administration circles are convinced that each Axis conquest, military and diplomatic, multiplies the hatreds which will eventually overwhelm the conquerers.

German Plan

One such coup is expected as soon as and if a Russo-Japanese non-aggression pact is concluded. This would release scores of crack Japanese divisions in Manchukuo for a knock-out blow at China.

Such a pact has been an objective of German diplomacy for months.

Supporting the belief that such a pact is due, the Moscow censors allowed news despatches to pass quoting "diplomatic quarters" predicting the pact will be signed soon.

It is authoritatively learned in Washington that the United States expects the pact to be signed but that this will not change the current friendly relations between America and Russia.

Projected "Gift"

It is explained that the Soviet will embrace, even temporarily, a release from the threat of Japanese attack in the east while she confronts the danger in the west of German occupation of the Dardanelles.

The projected "gift" of Asiatic Turkey would leave European Turkey including Constantinople, as a German-dominated buffer State.—Havas.

NAVY ON THE MOVE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

France has come to the threshold of a new era as a consequence of the dramatic conference between Marshal Petain and Hitler, says a special International News despatch from Vichy to the "China Mail."

While the conference in Hitler's special train near the Franco-German demarkation line was in progress, France's potential peril in the new role of active friend of the Axis Powers was indicated by reports that reinforcements to the British Fleet in the Mediterranean are massing at Gibraltar.

Although a permanent Franco/German agreement, superseding the present armistice, is expected to result from the conferences, Vichy quarters believe that France will not be drawn formally into the war against Britain.

Instead, it is expected that her part will be that of providing the closest possible collaboration under the prevailing circumstances. — International News Service.

U-BOATS EXPOSED

The "New York Times," in an article yesterday headed "U-boats only dent British shipping," discounted Nazi claims of tonnage sunk as false.

The paper points out that "if they was accurate, the shipping authorities advise that freight rates would now be rising steeply.

"The fact, however, is that they have been declining steadily in the last few months.

"This is a conclusive indication that the British at present are not seriously short of tonnage."—Reuter.

FIFTY WOMEN TO LEAVE EARLY IN NOVEMBER

It is officially announced that Government has taken over some fifty berths on a ship which is expected to leave for Australia in the second week of November, for women who have been ordered to leave and are unable to make their own arrangements for evacuation. All the women it is possible to accommodate in the ship have been notified and it is hoped that further accommodation for others who are required to leave, but are unable to do so at their own expense, will be made available on other ships at a later date.

BORDER RUMOURS

CONTRARY TO PERSISTENT CHINESE REPORTS, THERE HAS BEEN NO UNUSUAL ACTIVITY OF JAPANESE FORCES ACROSS THE BORDER.

There is no change in the situation; the Japanese are still in occupation of the border from Namtau to Shataukok.

Work of repairing roads and constructing defence positions is continuing.

COL. KNOX'S TRIBUTE TO R.A.F.

Defence A Classic

The United States Secretary of Navy, Col. Frank Knox, in a speech in New York yesterday, declared: "The nation which controls the sea approaches to Europe holds an immense advantage over its antagonist if the war is one of long duration.

"That sea power is British. Only the possession of sea power, which denies the crossing of the English Channel to the immense land forces of the Germans, enables British air power, outnumbered probably by four to one, to make that magnificent defence in the air which has become one of the great classics in the history of war.

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BERLIN RAID PRESSED HOME

Military Objectives Attacked In Large Force

Extensive R.A.F. Bomb Operations

BERLIN, BOMBED AGAIN ON WEDNESDAY NIGHT FOR THE TWENTY-SECOND TIME, WAS VISITED BY R.A.F. HEAVY BOMBERS FOR NEARLY TWO HOURS.

Two of the capital's principal power stations were among targets selected. They were the Berliner electricity works, in the Charlottenberg area, and the Kilngenberg works, on the opposite side of the city.

The great railway yards at Tempelhof, Putlitz Strasse and Lehreter were also attacked.

Reaching Berlin well after midnight by dead reckoning navigation because of cloud, they were met by intense concentrated fire from batteries on the outskirts of the city and in the city itself. But neither guns nor searchlights could stop the attack.

The crew of one bomber which spent half an hour over the capital said they went straight through the outer barrage, picked up their position in the target area and got ready to bomb.

Some A.A. shells burst very close and a member of the crew who put his head out of the side-windows said he heard them go off with a "crisp, sharp explosion." Their bombs started a large fire.

Other aircraft located their objectives by the aid of parachute flares.

A squadron leader attacking one railway yard said somebody else put down a flare very nicely for them just at the crucial moment.

Straight And Level

"We carried out attacks straight and level, ignoring fire from the ground. It was right in the centre of the city.

"About five to fifteen seconds after the bombs burst, four fires sprang up."

The pilot of another aircraft made six separate circles over Charlottenberg power station to make certain their bombs got dead over the target.

Immediately after the bombs dropped several fires broke out in the area.

Tons of high explosive bombs and hundreds of incendiaries were unloaded on dock areas and adjacent railway sidings in two separate raids, the first of half an hour and the second of one hour, on Emden.

Factory Attacked

A large factory with its own railway sidings was attacked 50 miles east of Berlin, and other objectives included railway cars at Frankfurt-on-Oder, a factory 40 miles east of Bremen where night work was in progress, the Dornier aircraft factories at Wismar, on the Baltic coast, and oil refineries at Hanover and Magdeburg, both of which had been damaged in previous raids.

Official Communique

R.A.F. bombers which attacked objectives in the Berlin area on Wednesday night caused fires and explosions, states the Air Ministry communique.

Other forces of aircraft carried out concentrated raids on railways, wharves and warehouses at the port of Emden.

Other targets in Germany and enemy occupied territory were attacked. They included oil plants at Magdeburg and Hanover, goods yards east of Berlin, near Hanover, and at Frankfurt.

Various industrial targets and railway junctions in northern and western Germany, docks at the Hook of Holland and several enemy aerodromes were also bombed.

One R.A.F. 'plane is missing from these operations.—Reuter.

GLASGOW EXPLOSION DISASTER

One of Glasgow's oldest industrial establishments — a starch works — was destroyed by an explosion and fire yesterday, with a heavy casualty list.

Substantial improvements were in progress when an explosion wrecked the works, windows were smashed over a wide area and the roof of a neighbouring flour mill blown off.

A hundred A.R.P. workers assisted regular firemen.

Ten are believed to have been killed and 28 injured taken to hospital.—Reuter.

HANDBAG STOLEN FROM HOUSE

Mrs. E. S. Randall, of No. 224, Nathan Road, had a handbag and its contents, valued at $49, stolen from her residence yesterday.

TRAINING PARACHUTISTS IN CANADA

Parachute troops may shortly begin training in Canada "as against the time when we may take the offensive," the Canadian Air Minister revealed in Ottawa yesterday.—Reuter.

R.A.F. MEN REACH CANADA

A number of men in R.A.F. uniform arrived at an eastern Canadian port yesterday from England.—Reuter.

AIR VICE-MARSHAL BLOUNT KILLED IN CRASH

Air Vice-Marshal C. H. B. Blount has been killed in an air crash, it was announced in London yesterday.

He commanded the air component (army cooperation squadrons) of the R.A.F. in France.—Reuter.

DEFINITE PLAN OF ATTACK

Sirens awakened Berliners again on Wednesday night as British 'planes which earlier had visited Hamburg began to arrive over the German capital, says the Stockholm "Aftonbladet" Berlin correspondent.

"The attack clearly followed a definite plan," wires the correspondent.

"Particularly heavy bomb detonations were heard in western Berlin where it is reported numerous fires were caused.

"Berliners got their morning papers and letters late owing to the raid."—Reuter.

DAYLIGHT KILLING IN SHANGHAI

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL").

Unknown gunmen in Shanghai yesterday shot and killed in broad daylight in the central district a Chinese named Chen Li-hong, believed to be the bodyguard of the Chinese manager of the China General Omnibus Co.

The sound of the shots attracted the attention of several police constables who fired three shots at the assassins without effect.—Havas.

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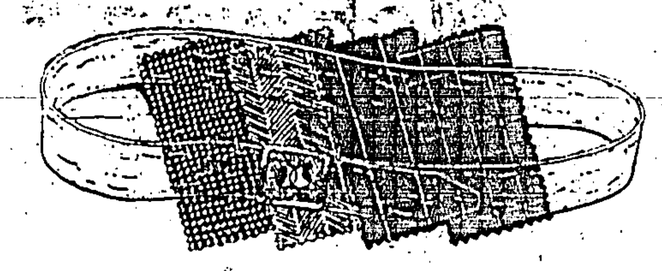

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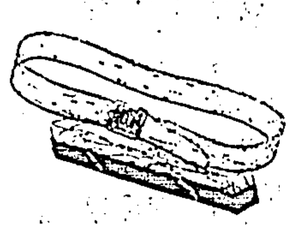

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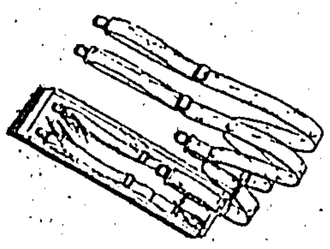

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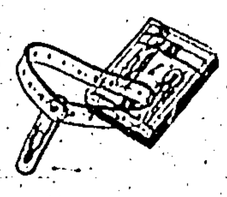

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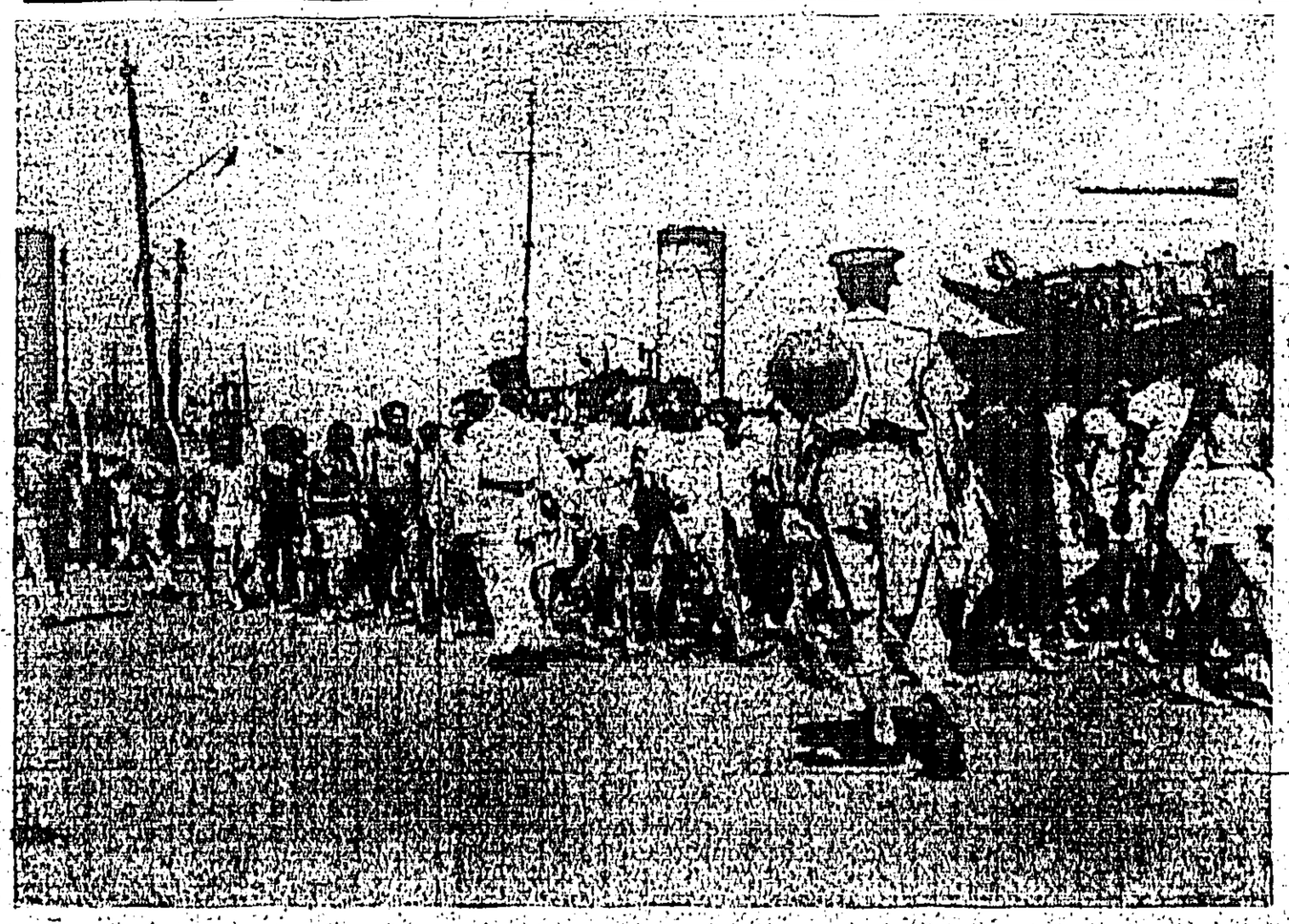


Following the sinking of the Italian six-inch gun cruiser Bartolomeo Colleoni by H.M.A.S. Sydney, in the clothes in which they were rescued, survivors of the Bartolomeo Colleoni are being marched off at Alexandria. (Copyright, Fox).

Special Role For Defiants

To Be Britain's Night Fighter

A SWIFT ADVANCE in the deadliness of British fighter 'planes as well as the early introduction of new types was foretold by Air Marshal Sir Philip Joubert in a broadcast last night.

Spitfires and Hurricanes were being made faster, were able to climb higher and were more heavily armed. Defiants were being restored to their proper role of night fighter and, with developments, should be very effective.

Several types of fighters, as big an improvement on the Spitfires and Hurricanes as these were on their predecessors, were on the stocks.

Dealing with the R.A.F. bombing offensive, Air Marshal Joubert said:

"We can hope from now onwards steadily to increase our pressure on Germany and her ally and by next Spring, when the flow of American aircraft becomes a flood, we shall return to Germany with sevenfold interest the bombing that we have had to endure."

New R.A.F. bombers, he said, would be as good as the new fighters.—Reuter.

R.A.F. 'PLANES TORPEDO SUPPLY SHIPS

The R.A.F. have successfully torpedoed two enemy supply ships in the North Sea, and another enemy vessel was heavily machine-gunned.

This was officially announced in London last evening. The operations were carried out by aircraft of the Coastal Command on Wednesday. —Reuter.

NAZI RAIDS ON SMALL SCALE

A few enemy aircraft, operating singly, crossed our coasts yesterday, says an Air Ministry communique, and bombs are reported from the London area, from Kent, from Hampshire and from a country district in Somerset.

Though full reports have not yet been received it is known that some damage was done to dwelling houses and industrial buildings in the London area and a small number of people were injured.

At one town in Hampshire considerable damage was done and there were a few casualties.

Two enemy bombers were shot down during the day by our fighters without loss to themselves. One enemy bomber was destroyed on Wednesday night.—Reuter.

THEFT OF ARMY'S BARBED WIRE

Cheung Cheng, 45, was sentenced to six months' hard labour by Mr. G. T. Lowry this morning, for the theft of 16 rolls of barbed wire, property of the Military Authorities, at Pokfulam on Tuesday.

Mr. F. W. Shattain, Assistant Director of Criminal Investigation, asked the Court to take a serious view of the case. Many similar thefts had been notified recently and they might effect the defence of the Colony.

Detectives had been especially assigned to stop such thefts.

Defendant had three previous convictions.

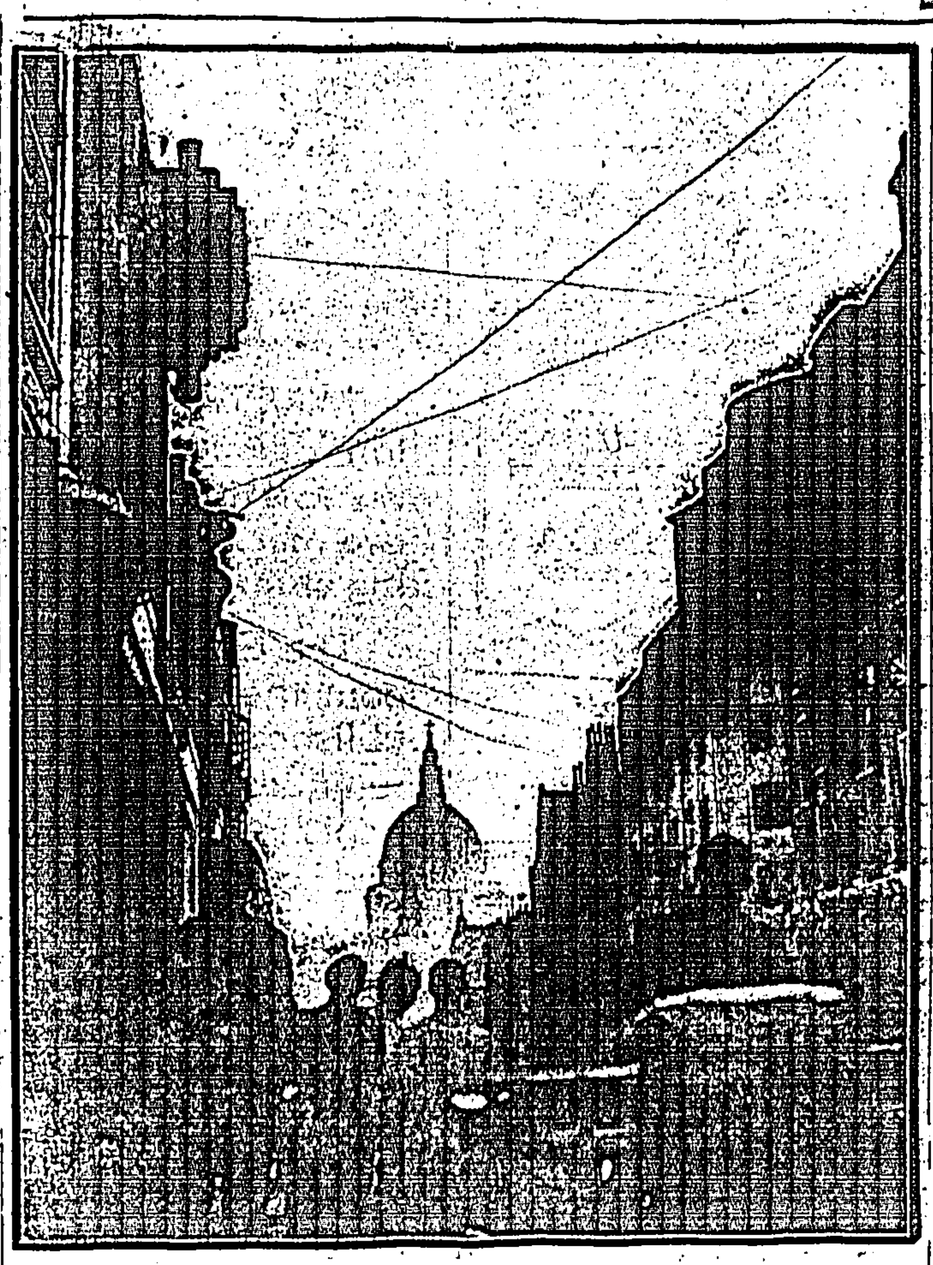
ITALIAN FORCE AMBUSHED

A remarkable action in the Sudan, in which very heavy casualties were inflicted upon the enemy, with no British casualty, was announced in a G.H.Q. communique issued in Cairo yesterday.

The communique says that in the Sudan one of our motorised patrols in the Kassala sector surprised and attacked at close range from the rear a party of approximately 1,000 enemy, inflicting very heavy casualties. Our casualties were nil.

In Egypt, during the night of Tuesday/Wednesday, an enemy camp east of Sidi Barrani was successfully raided.

One prisoner was taken and eight motor transport vehicles destroyed.—Reuter.



City workers were treated to a thrill during an air raid when British fighters went into action over the City. Here are people watching in Fleet Street looking towards St. Paul's (Copyright, Fox).

REBUILDING OF BOMBED BRITAIN

Government plans to repair the damage done by Nazi bombs in raids on Britain were revealed yesterday in the House of Commons by Mr. C. R. Attlee, Lord Privy Seal, when he explained the duties of the new Ministry of Works and Supplies.

Sir John Reith, head of the Ministry, will decide which buildings are to be repaired first, and will also be responsible for control of central purchases of building materials where necessary, as well as to institute research into such problems as the use of substitutes for any building materials short in supply.

The Ministry will take over the whole organisation of the Office of Works and the building work of the Ministry of Supply, including the approval of plans for any new factories.

Great Problems—And Opportunities

Only highly specialised work — such as the building of aerodromes —will be controlled by the Service departments.

Mr. Attlee said that it was clear that reconstruction, after the war, raises great problems, and affords great opportunities.

The Ministry will accordingly consult all those concerned and report to the Cabinet. — Reuter.

WANG CHING-WEI APPOINTMENTS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Chen Kung-po, President of the Legislative Yuan of the Nanking "government," is to be appointed Mayor of Shanghai Special Municipality in succession to the late Fu Siao-en. It is understood that Sun Si-wen, who served as acting mayor following Fu's death will be given an important position in Nanking.—Havas.

SELF-SUFFICIENCY MOVE IN JAPAN

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

A programme providing for the manufacture of machines and machine-tools necessary for Japan's development will be undertaken shortly by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry. Until now Japan has imported most of her machines. — Havas.

GERMAN EXODUS

All Germans have been removed from Bessarabia with the departure of the last batch of 3,000 Germans, according to the German radio yesterday. A total of 90,000 Germans was transferred. —Reuter.

H.M.S. GLORIOUS SINKING DISCLOSURES

A CONSIDERABLE number of survivors of the aircraft-carrier H.M.S. Glorious, which was sunk in an action in the North Sea in June, remained afloat on rafts for some time while British aircraft and ships passed close to them without seeing them.

This was disclosed by Sir Victor Warrender, Parliamentary Secretary to the Admiralty, when answering a question in the House of Commons yesterday.

Sir Victor explained that for a completely inexplicable cause any signals made by Glorious at the time were not intercepted.

As the air officer commanding Glorious went down with the ship, much of what happened must of necessity remain a mystery.—Reuter.

SUMMER TIME IN WINTER

Summer Time in Britain will be continued all through the winter, the Home Secretary announced in the House of Commons yesterday. — Reuter.

RETURN TO SPAIN

Senor de Muguiro, Spanish Minister to Hungary, has returned to Spain.—Reuter.

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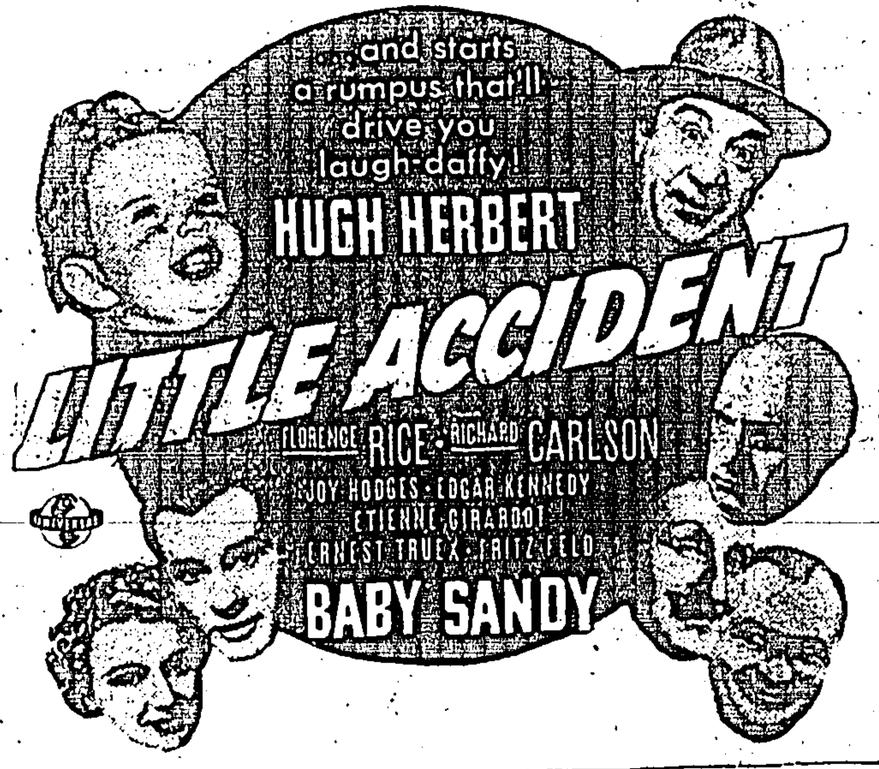

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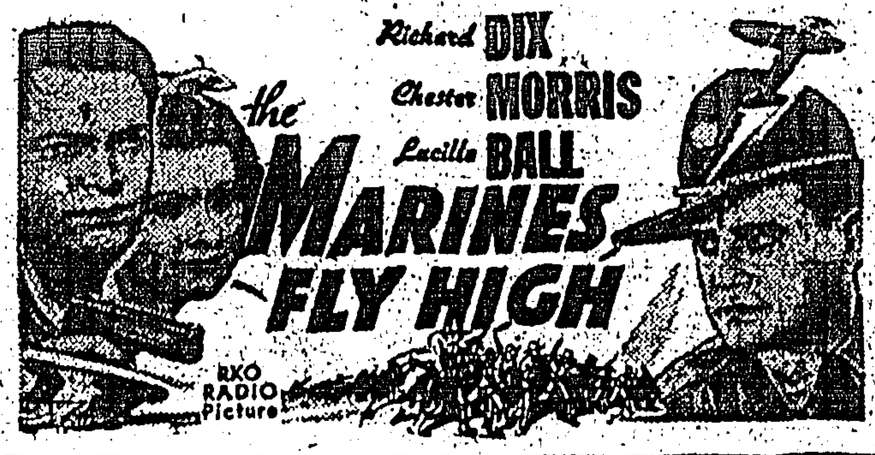

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KEEN SPECULATION ON HITLER'S TREK ACROSS FRANCE

MARSHAL PETAIN'S reply to the German demands was expected to be handed over to Hitler last night. He is believed to have met Hitler, while Der Fuehrer was trekking from the Spanish frontier.

The Germans are being curiously silent about these talks and the German press has published nothing more than the official communiques. Similar reserve is shown on the Spanish side, although General Franco has arrived back in Madrid.

The general impression of Hitler's trek across France to the Spanish frontier is that the talks with France and Spain have similar objects in view — and that Germany is not satisfied with Italy's support and is searching for fresh allies.

Probably Dr. Goebbels will have the task of starting a new propaganda campaign which will attempt to persuade the French and Spaniards that Germany is bound to win the war and they had better book their seats in the "New Order" early.

Evidence is accumulating to show that Ribbentrop's behaviour during Senor Suner's visit to Berlin was not calculated to win Spain's support and that this is possibly the reason why Hitler had to make the journey himself.

Bases Wanted

The Swiss press has been discussing the line which the German demands may take if Hitler fails to persuade either Spain or France to declare war against Britain.

There is an apparent desire to get the use of naval and air bases in Spain, France and French Africa.

This seems to be an alternative on which the Germans can fall back, and at present there is no reason to suppose other than that they are trying to get more substantial support, in particular the use of the French Navy. — Reuter.

VICHY CONTROL OF RAW MATERIALS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Drastic regulations pertaining to the distribution of available quantities of raw and semi-finished products among industries were decreed yesterday by the French Ministry of Industrial Production. One decree regulates pig-iron, steel, rubber and non-ferrous metals, and another decree provides for the drastic punishment of speculators in food products. — Havas.

SMIGLY-RYDZ ARRESTED IN RUMANIA

Marshal Smigly-Rydz, Commander-in-Chief of the Polish army when war broke out, has been arrested in Rumania, according to Rome radio yesterday.

The Marshal was interned in Rumania on his arrival there in September, 1939. — Reuter.

POLICE RAIDS IN DAIREN

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Following the enforcement of the anti-luxury law a number of traders in Dairen have been found illegally hoarding luxury goods, says the "Manchuria Daily News." Among traders arrested in police raids were several who had repeatedly violated the law. — Havas.

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ZANZIBAR MOBILE CANTEENS

MORE WAR GIFTS CONTINUE TO COME IN FROM THE EMPIRE.

The Central Committee of the Uganda War Fund has sent £12,000 to Lord Beaverbrook, Minister of Aircraft Production, to buy fighter 'planes.

The Sudan War 'planes Fund has sent in £10,000, while Mr. Oswald Finney, of Alexandria, has sent in a further £10,000 as a personal gift from himself.

From Nairobi comes news that the people of Zanzibar have sent £500 for mobile canteens which are to bear the name of "Zanzibar."

They have sent the money because they are "stirred by London's magnificent defence and steadfastness."

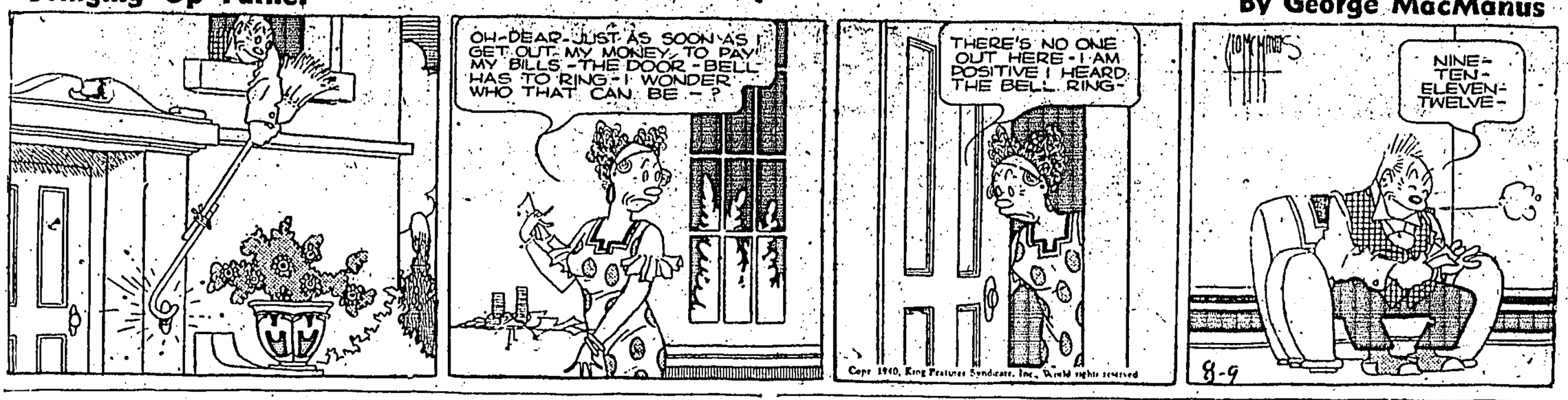
The master of a Danish ship has sent £100 to a British shipping company, together with a request that arrangements be made for him to pay £5 a month from his wages "as a little help towards your famous Spitfires."

The Sultan of Selangor has sent in Straits Dollars the equivalent of £886. 18s. 10d. collected from Malays and other Moslems in his country for the benefit of earthquake sufferers in Turkey.

The money will be remitted to the Turkish Government through the good offices of the British Ambassador. — Reuter.

Bringing Up Father

By George MacManus



WILLKIE REPLIES

Mr. Wendell Willkie made his reply to President Roosevelt's election campaign in a train broadcast at Harbor Creek, Pennsylvania, yesterday.

Mr. Willkie declared that if President Roosevelt did not remember his promises of to-day longer than he did those of 1932, he feared that "our boys" would soon be placed in war transports bound for some foreign shore.

Replying to President Roosevelt's claims concerning the achievements of the New Deal, Mr. Willkie asserted that national income under President Roosevelt has declined by 11 per cent., industrial production by five per cent., farm income by 20 per cent., industrial wages and salaries by 21 per cent. and dividends by 2 per cent. — Reuter.

U.S. ARMY AIR CORPS PLANS

Reorganisation of the United States Army's Air Corps to increase its number of combat groups from 25 to 54, was announced by the War Department in Washington yesterday.

It was stated that this will create a "highly mobile fighting force" capable of operating anywhere in the Western Hemisphere. — Reuter

NO PEACE NEGOTIATIONS IN PROGRESS

The Chinese authorities in Washington declared yesterday that reports of Sino-Japanese peace negotiations may be dismissed as unfounded.

Increasing American aid and the reopening of the Burma road had given China a new determination to continue the fight, it was added.—Reuter.

MR. KENNEDY DELAYED AT LISBON

Mr. Joseph Kennedy, United States Ambassador to Britain, was unable to leave Lisbon for America yesterday as the Clipper's departure was postponed owing to bad atmospherics.

Weather permitting, Mr. Kennedy is expected to leave to-day. —Reuter.

RISKED LIFE FOR THEFT

MISS OLGA SANTOS, OF NO. 578, NATHAN ROAD, THIRD FLOOR, WAS COMPLAINANT BEFORE MR. Q. A. A. MACFADYEN AT KOWLOON THIS MORNING, WHEN KO FUNG, 34, WAS SENTENCED TO SIX MONTHS' HARD LABOUR FOR STEALING HER HANDBAG.

Det.-Sgt. Fraser stated that accused risked his life by walking along the edge of the roof top to Miss Santos' house. He stole the bag from the drawer of a dressing table.

After stealing the bag, accused started to run along the roof. He jumped down and over the wall, but was chased and arrested by Mr. Edward Kay.

The Sergeant mentioned that Mr. Kay caught two snatchers several days ago. Mr. Kay was commended by the Magistrate.

MADAME LUPESCU RUMOURS

NO CONFIRMATION IS YET TO BE OBTAINED IN MADRID OF RUMOURS THAT MADAME LUPESCU, MISTRESS OF EX-KING CAROL OF RUMANIA, IS BEING EXTRADITED TO RUMANIA.

It is obvious, however, that the watch kept on ex-King Carol and Madame Lupescu by the Spanish police is now much stricter.

They are unable to leave the hotel at Seville where they are staying.—Reuter.

IGNORED WARNING

Mr. B. E. Sugars was summoned before Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., this morning, for leaving his car unattended in Garden Road, near Albert Road, and for disobeying traffic directions.

Constable D316 told the Court that at about 4.30 p.m., on October 3, he saw the car parked on a path between Garden Road and Lower Albert Road. He told defendant not to park there, but at 5 p.m. the car was still there. It was driven away at about 7.40 p.m.

Defendant was fined $10.

Traffic Sub-Inspector F. J. Clarke prosecuted.

SALESMAN'S FRAUD

Convicted of fraudulent conversion of sums totaling $202.75, Fung Fo-yeung, 44, salesman, was sentenced to four months' hard labour by Mr. G. T. Lowry this morning.

Det. Sergt. J. R. Sykes said defendant was employed by the Hang On Medicine shop, No. 43, Jervois Street. He collected money from various customers and spent it.

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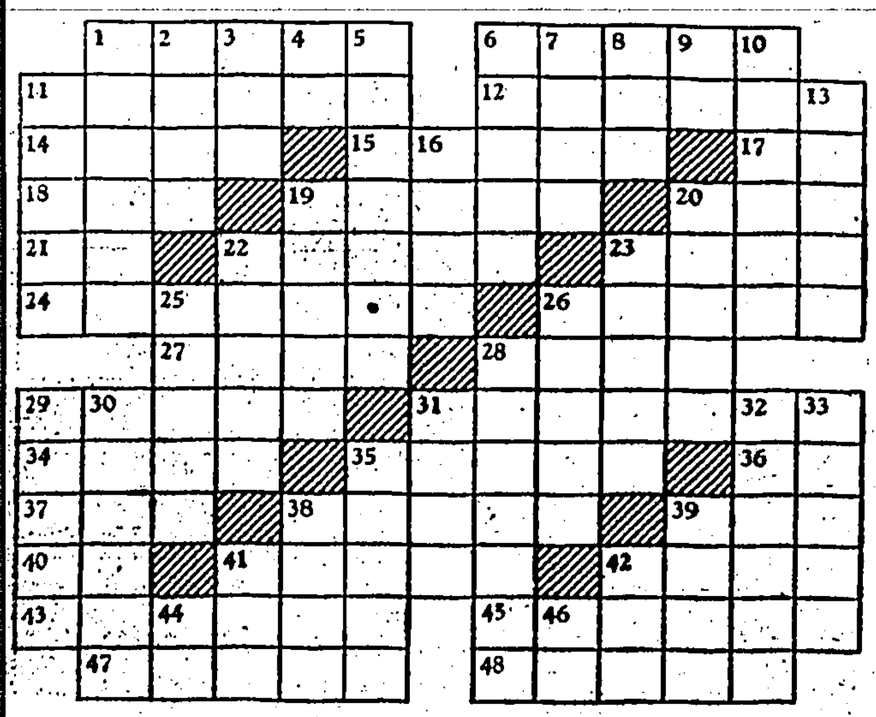

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1 Conspiracy
6 Wanders
11 System of government
12 Ascending
14 God of war
15 Stared open-mouthed
17 Conjunction
18 Cushion
19 Grows wan
20 Enemy
21 Pronoun
22 Carries
23 Music: concluding passage
24 Formal orders
26 Portion of grain to be ground
27 Religious ceremony
28 God of love
29 Bed stays
31 Sloped
34 To long
35 Violent rainstorm
36 Japanese drama
37 Unit
38 Winged
39 Shack
40 Note of scale
41 Sheep-like
42 Knowledge
43 Wore away
45 Old English bailiffs
47 Net
48 Pig-pens

VERTICAL
1 Ointment
2 Old
3 Encore!
4 Part of "to be"
5 Recipient of a legacy
6 Cords
7 Crude minerals
8 Assistance
9 Pronoun
10 Fillets worn about the hair
11 Speedy
13 To care for
16 Beverages
19 Dreamers
20 To palm off
22 Stale
23 Hag
25 Long-legged bird
26 To rub roughly
28 Click-beetles
29 Minute organism
30 Steamships
31 To extend over
32 Comes into operation
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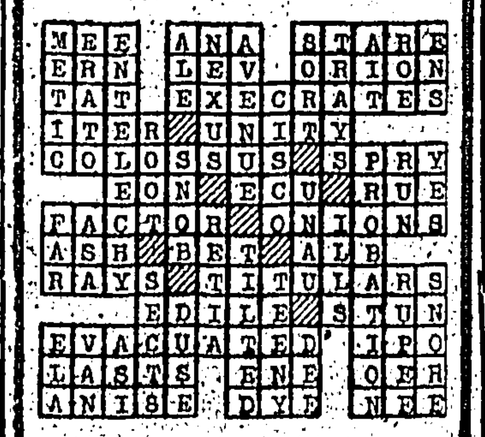
YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION



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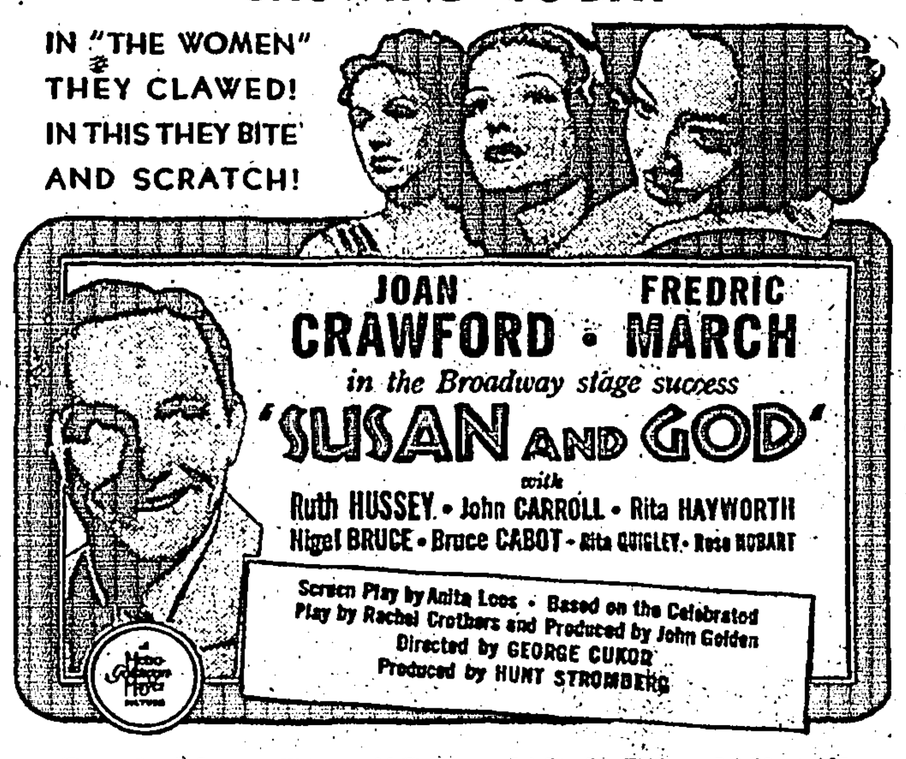

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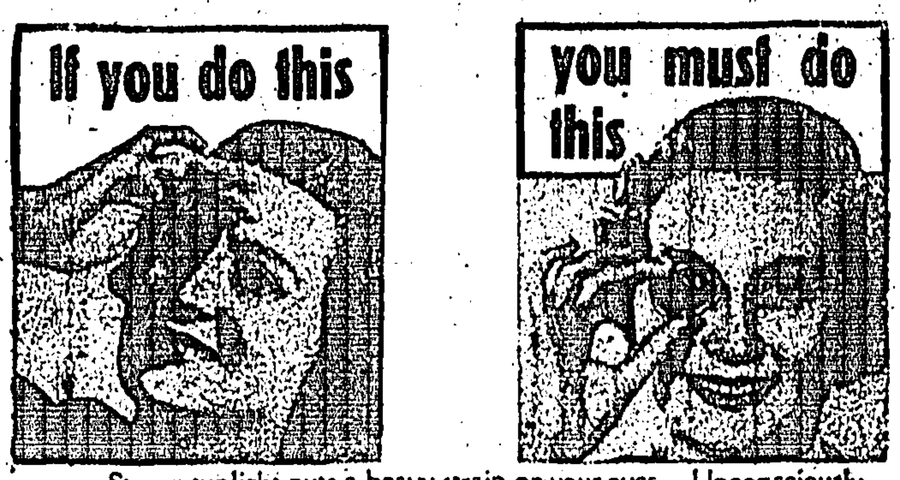

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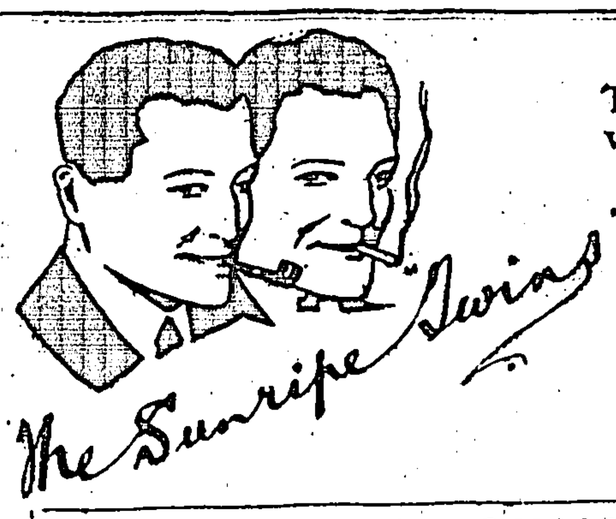

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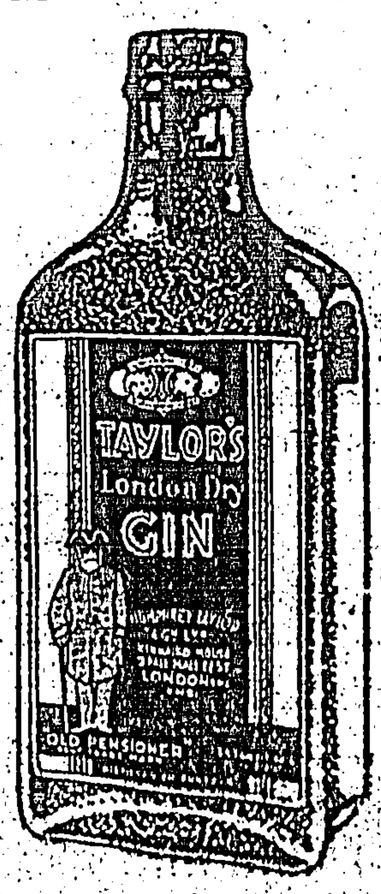

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FOR THE NEXT TWO months the Burma road will be used exclusively for the transportation of Government goods and medicine, in order to avoid congestion, it was officially announced in Chungking yesterday.

With the arrival of more trucks and spare parts, freight capacity on the road is expected to be doubled. Its present capacity is 300 tons a day.

The Ministry of Communications has erected a machine-shop in Szechuen for making spare parts while a tire-treading plant is already producing goods in Yunnan.

While prohibiting private trucks from operating on the road, the Chinese communication authorities are also refusing permission to hire trucks from Burma and elsewhere for the shipment of commercial goods to and from China for the next two months at least.

In doing so the Government hopes to get the maximum of goods in and out of the country during the shortest possible period.

The Minister of Communications has formulated a plan for A.A. defences along the road which has been submitted to the Government for approval.

Supply Of Drugs

Mr. John Earl Baker, representative of the American Red Cross, declared yesterday that 650 tons of drugs sent by the American Red Cross were in Rangoon awaiting transportation to the interior. Fifteen tons of quinine had also been purchased by the American Red Cross for distribution in China.—Reuter.

CHUNGKING SEES TROUBLE?

THE CHINESE ARE WATCHING THE SITUATION IN SHANGHAI IN CONNECTION WITH THE EVACUATION OF AMERICAN NATIONALS, IT WAS STATED IN CHUNGKING.

It is noteworthy that Chinese Government banks have suspended all remittances to Shanghai. Remittances at present are only possible to Hong Kong. — Reuter.

U.S. FACTORIES AHEAD OF SCHEDULE

Mr. Henry Morgenthau, Secretary to the Treasury, stated in Washington yesterday that nearly every American aeroplane manufacturer was either on time or ahead of schedule of delivery for both the United States Government and British orders.

As a result, he added, British officials in the United States were pleased but would still like faster production.—Reuter.

GERMANY WORKING WAR PRISONERS

News has just reached Polish circles in London that Polish war prisoners are now being employed by the Germans in the reconstruction of German Baltic ports destroyed in air raids by the R.A.F.

Another despatch received in London yesterday said the first batch of German children, numbering 700, evacuated from Berlin on account of air raids, has arrived at Poznan.—Reuter.

Lau Lam was taken to the Kowloon Hospital with injuries to his leg, received at work in Kowloon Dock yesterday.

PLIGHT OF BRITONS ON RIVIERA

QUESTIONED IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS ABOUT STEPS BEING TAKEN TO HELP THE 2,000 BRITISH SUBJECTS STILL ON THE FRENCH RIVIERA, MANY OF WHOM ARE DESTITUTE, MR. HAROLD BUTLER, UNDER-SECRETARY FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS, SAID THAT U.S. CONSULS IN UNOCCUPIED FRANCE HAVE BEEN ASKED TO ADVANCE UP TO £10 A MONTH TO BRITISH SUBJECTS IN NEED.

They have also been asked to advance travelling expenses to those people who are able to reach the Spanish frontier.

On the frontier, British consular officers will give them further help.

Mr. Butler said that except for men of military age he knew of nothing to prevent British subjects from returning via Lisbon, although the journey back from France must necessarily be an arduous one. — Reuter.

OUR TURN NEXT —MR. BULLITT

THE ATMOSPHERE IN AMERICA TO-DAY RESEMBLED THAT IN FRANCE IN 1938, WHEN THE FRENCH, IMPERILLED, HAD BEEN TOLD THERE WAS DANGER "BUT DID NOT FEEL DANGER," DECLARED MR. WILLIAM BULLITT, AMBASSADOR TO FRANCE, ADDRESSING A GATHERING IN NEW YORK YESTERDAY.

Mr. Bullitt said: "We must prepare now at war pace or we may be too late."

He added that the tripartite pact was a clear warning that "In the minds of the Dictators it is our turn next."—Reuter.

POLES MAN SCOTTISH COAST

Polish forces have taken over a sector of the Scottish coast in the coastal defence scheme.

This was announced in a communique issued from General Sikorski's headquarters last night, describing Mr. Churchill's visit to Scotland on Wednesday.

The soldiers who have taken over this sector are the First Polish Army Corps in Scotland. —Reuter.

FELL OUT OF BED: KILLED

While asleep yesterday morning, a 73-year-old Chinese rolled off the bed and fractured his skull. He died later in the Queen Mary Hospital.

CHEN KUNG-PO NOW "MAYOR" OF SHANGHAI

Wang Ching-wei's newspapers in Shanghai disclosed last night that Chen Kung-po, President of the Legislative Yuan in the Nanking Puppet regime, has been officially appointed "Mayor" of Shanghai. —Our Own Correspondent.

JOCKEY CLUB'S WAR DONATIONS

The Special Sweep on the Kwangtung Handicap, 1940, resulted in a surplus of $61,902.53. This has been divided between the "South China Morning Post" War Fund and the British Fund for Relief of Distress in China.

The sum in question brings the total amount contributed by this Club to War Funds up to $259,402.

The Stewards have decided that the surplus on the Special Sweep at the Annual Race Meeting, 1941, which will be on the Rooty Hill Derby, will be allocated to British Funds and the British Fund for Relief of Distress in China.

EMPIRE'S NEW AIR FORCE

THE FIRST GROUP OF OBSERVERS OF THE BRITISH COMMONWEALTH TRAINING PLAN HAVE NOW GRADUATED AND WERE AWARDED THEIR BADGES YESTERDAY IN TORONTO BY MR. JAMES DUNCAN, CANADIAN DEPUTY MINISTER FOR AIR.

Addressing the men, Mr. Duncan said they were "forerunners of that great host of young men whose ever-growing strength will turn the tide of victory."

The first groups of pilots and air gunners will complete their training shortly.—Reuter.

RECORD TRIP ON BURMA ROAD

THE FIRST CONVOY OF CHINESE LORRIES TRAVELLING ALONG THE BURMA ROAD SINCE THE RE-OPENING ARRIVED AT YUNNANFU IN RECORD TIME.

They left Lashio on October 18 and made the 720-miles trip in under three days.

Before the closing of the road it took at least five days to cover the journey.—Reuter.

ABE RETURNING TO JAPAN

General Abe, Japan's Special Envoy to Wang Ching-wei's puppet regime in Nanking, left Shanghai for Japan yesterday morning.—Our Own Correspondent.

CHINA MAIL
WINDSOR HOUSE

PACIFIC STABILITY

The recent Washington conversations between Lord Lothian, Mr. Casey, and Mr. Cordell Hull and Colonel Knox's announcements on American preparedness, are promising signs of the development of mutual interest and support in the common task of maintaining stability in the Pacific. After the momentous and far-reaching agreement made between Great Britain and the United States for the defence of the Atlantic, it was only natural that Americans should turn their thoughts to the Pacific. For the moment they can feel that the immediate task of stemming the wave of European aggression belongs to the British, now that the lines of American support have been laid down and that good progress is being made in forwarding assistance. There is evidence in the United States of growing concern over the dangerous situation in the Pacific, however, and it is only natural that, while a great effort is being launched to strengthen the forward bases of the United States, negotiations should simultaneously be carried on with other Powers interested in the building of a barrier against naked aggression. Though it is hardly to be expected that such discussions should result in a basic agreement, unless the course of events in Asia should make it imperative, the steady development of Anglo-American cooperation is revealed by the mere fact that such discussions should take place, involving as they do the possibility of Singapore, and presumably Australian ports, being placed at the disposal of the United States fleet. Only sheer desperate opportunism could lead Japan to disregard the clear warnings that have been uttered.

JAPANESE BRAND

One by one the foreign experts who educated Japan in all other aspects of modern civilisation have been superseded by Japanese; now the same process is to be repeated in religious affairs. Not only are foreign bishops to be dispensed with but foreign monetary aid as well. In addition there is a plan to combine all Japanese Christians in a Japanese Church which is to exemplify "Japanese Christianity." Such a project has been talked about for years, and it is doubtful if anything more than a loose federation of Churches could be brought into existence. But whatever happens in the field of organisation, doctrinally there will be strong attempts to produce a "Japanese Christianity." This means a greater approximation between Christianity and Shinto. The influence of the Church would be made in every way the instrument of State policy. What will happen now is uncertain, but there are those well acquainted with Japan who think that, left to themselves, the Japanese may possibly find a Church organisation and a method of evangelisation which are both in line with historic Christianity and at the same time more successful in their appeal to the Japanese mind than anything which has been imported from abroad. It must be admitted that the chances of this do not seem very great.

The Humbug From Hamburg

By Gerald Dillon

The "Old School Tie" joke still thrives and enjoys an outing every now and then from the Haw-Haws and Hee-Haws of Hamburg and Humbug. Myself, I am never very certain whether the folk who make these jests about the old school tie really know anything about old schools at all.

Speaking literally, I have, in life, met few people who actually wore their old school tie, except, possibly, in such cases as when it was a very new school tie.

The English Public School is, of course, a very human institution, and, as such, liable to many errors. Behind it all, however, is the laudable idea of providing a liberal education, which means, essentially, education for the idea of being a freeman, as opposed to the condition of being a slave. According to the Greek conception, the slave's job in life was—just to work; while the freeman's job was to be the best kind of man possible. Nowadays, everybody has to work, more or less, but some people can afford to have a shot at becoming the best possible kind of man before they start working.

To produce that best possible kind of man is the object of what we might call "the old school." Naturally the old school fails in many cases to produce this result, but then it is a purely human institution dealing with ordinary human material.

The English Public Schools are no more public than a workhouse is a place where people work. Properly, they should be called English Private Schools. The misleading term ("Public") dates from the time Monastic schools prepared boys for the Church while the Public schools prepared boys for public life.

These schools in England vary in size and importance from those housing about 100 boys, to those which accommodate as many as 1,100. They are mainly boarding schools, though practically all are open to day boys. Perhaps about 50, beginning with Eton and Harrow, would form the heart of the English upper and upper middle class system of education. But there would also be at least 150 other schools which would conform to the definition of "Public School." All follow, more or less, the same methods and are animated by the same aims and principles.

The cost of sending a boy as a boarder to one of these schools would range from £100 to as much as £400 a year. One or two, however, such as Christ's Hospital, provide free education to all but a few.

Many of these schools are old, but a few are quite modern—old in the sense that Eton dates back to 1440, and new in the sense that some few were started comparatively recently. Also, they are exclusive in the sense that they provide education for some 60,000 boys only, which is not a very large proportion of England's youth. It is also a fact, of course, that entrance to such schools is very often, but not exclusively, a privilege of birth and wealth. The majority of Cabinet Ministers in Britain, the great proportion of the Bench of Bishops, and something like 152 out of every 200 Civil servants earning over £1,000 a year have usually been to Public schools. On the other hand, Ramsay Macdonald, Disraeli, Asquith, Lloyd George, and others who have risen to the highest positions in Britain, were not Public school products.

Though many Public schools are centuries old, it is quite a modern idea for a well-to-do father to think of sending his son to one of them as part of his duty. In days gone by the average country squire thought the local grammar school good enough for his son, and the sons of the wealthy were educated mostly by private tutors. It is also quite a modern practice to talk of "an old Public school boy"—as if that conveyed the idea of a perfectly well recognised type belonging to a definite social caste. No greater fallacy could exist, for, not only do Public schools in England differ from each other in respect of the boys who attend them, but even boys who go to the same school come from widely different social circles and homes.

Breeding And Manners

The Public school spirit is a definite thing, though hard to define, and it offers to the world certain qualities from which we might all learn.

The chief aim is that the school should turn out men with a strong sense of public and of private duty, and with a strong inclination to public service. It also betokens a due sense of the importance of what we might call good breeding and manners. We recognise the importance of breeding in horses, sheep, cows, and poultry. Surely there is nothing amiss in recognising its importance in the human sphere as well? And though a man may be "the tenth transmitter of a foolish face" he can at least redeem that condition by behaving in an agreeable fashion, though an inverted form of snobbery would have us believe that all this is "side." It is "side" when it is a mere adornment, but where habit makes it second nature, it becomes natural.

The war, perhaps, will change the Public schools. One hopes that they will become less exclusive, if only for the reason that the charge that they are exclusive is a sort of back-handed compliment. One hopes also that, because the average Public schoolman does so many things well, he will be trained in the future to do them better.

Nevertheless, the totalitarian system and the idea of a liberal education for the freeman are irreconcilable. The Nazi ideal in education is to turn out men and women with no more individuality than a tank, a machine-gun, or a high-explosive bomb, though they have special training schools for leaders. In Britain, selection for leadership is based on a much wider franchise. Any one of the hundreds of boys at Eton to-day may be the Prime Minister of to-morrow; but the Prime Minister may equally be a product of a board school at Bermondsey or the free school at Worplespoon-under-Moss.

The old school tie gibe on German lips is humbug, for, though the O.S.T. might occasionally carry a man into a position for which without the tie he would stand as much chance as a man without a shirt, the party membership in Germany (i.e., membership of the one and only party) is a similar lever with far less guarantee that the man wearing the Nazi badge will be the most suitable man for the job.

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BEAUFORTS IN ACTION OFF FRISIANS

Beaufort aircraft of the Coastal Command on Wednesday torpedoed two German supply ships in convoy off the Frisian Islands.

The Beauforts came down out of the sun almost invisible to look-out men aboard the German vessels. There were great explosions as their torpedoes struck the ships.

The Beaufort's pilots, under heavy anti-aircraft fire from the rest of the convoy and escort vessels, saw a ship of 4,000 tons sinking by the stern.

Another of 2,000 tons was going down so fast that her decks were already awash.

Another German convoy was attacked off Trondheim, this time by a Hudson of the Coastal Command.

The Hudson pilot could just discern the outlines of three ships in the gathering darkness. He dived over them machine-gunning until only a hundred feet above the decks.

He and his gunners put 4,000 rounds into the ships before resuming their patrol. — British Wireless.

WIDOW FOUND MURDERED

A widow, Ho Sau-chun, 37 years of age, was found murdered at 6.30 a.m. to-day on the ground floor of No. 54, Wuhu Street in Hunghom.

The woman owned a rice shop and was last seen alive at midnight. The inmates of the place have been detained for questioning. The woman succumbed to multiple stab wounds.

M. GUTT, BELGIAN FINANCE MINISTER, SPOKE YESTERDAY OF THE POSITION OF THE BELGIAN GOVERNMENT IN BRITAIN, SAYING THAT THE ARRIVAL IN ENGLAND OF M. PIERLOT AND M. SPAAK MADE A FULL STATEMENT POSSIBLE FOR THE FIRST TIME.

Recapitulating the events which culminated in the fall of France, M. Gutt reminded his listeners that King Leopold, as a prisoner of war, had caused the executive powers normally vested in him to pass to the cabinet.

"No armistice convention, much less a peace treaty," M. Gutt said, "was concluded with Germany."

Relating how there were between two and three hundred thousand Belgians of military age in France and that Belgian war material and rolling stock was in that country, M. Gutt spoke of the efforts made to continue the struggle at the side of France against the aggressor.

M. Gutt continued: "The situation is as follows. A number of ministers have relinquished their posts. Others are here in London. They are the Prime Minister, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Minister of Colonies and Minister of Finance.

We are exercising, in full and alone, governmental authority. We are the only legal Government of Belgium and nobody can, according to our Constitution, set up another either in occupied Belgium or elsewhere.

Aim Of Government

What is the aim of our Government? The liberation of Belgium and the liberation of our King, who is a prisoner of war. The restoration of our country's territorial integrity and independence.

The Prime Minister of Britain, speaking on June 6 in the Commons, stated it was also 'the unswerving aim of the British Government to secure for Belgium effective restoration of her freedom and independence.'

No Belgian will ever forget how, in the early morning of May 10, when Brussels was already being bombed by German aeroplanes without our having received any ultimatum or declaration of war, our call to Britain to fulfil her guarantee met with an unreserved response.

Full Agreement

Nor shall we ever forget the gallantry with which the British Army fought with us in the Battle of Belgium.

However hard may be the trials still to come we know we shall live them through and when we say we will not give up fighting until Belgian soil is free again we are voicing the unanimous will of both countries. To attain this aim we will act in full agreement with the British Government."

Free Belgians were determined to take full share in military action against Germany and he told how officers and men were coming to Britain at the risk of their lives. Their spirit was magnificent and he told how a Belgian unit was already charged with the defence of a small sector in England and were there with their colours proudly flying with the Union Jack.

Hand-in-Hand

The Minister also spoke of the gallant Belgian pilots serving with the R.A.F., some of whom had been killed in the great air battle, and he told of "many more eagerly awaiting in training camps the moment when they will be sent out to join in the battle."

The Minister concluded: "Belgium is to-day the same Belgium which fought 26 years ago hand in hand with Britain. We are fighting again the same enemy. We are fighting him again hand in hand and we are going to win again."—British Wireless.

"STAY-AT-HOME WIFE" "missed all the fun."

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SIR CHARLES HARINGTON'S DEATH

SIR CHARLES HARINGTON, GOVERNOR OF GIBRALTAR FROM 1933 TO 1938, DIED YESTERDAY AT CHELTENHAM AGED 68.

He will be chiefly remembered for his important work in the last war as junior partner in the Plumer — Harington combination which won glory in its command of the Second Army and by his courage and resource during the dangerous situation at Chanak in 1922 when he commanded the Allied forces at Constantinople.

Subsequently appointed G.O.C., Northern Command, he later went to Quetta as G.O.C. Western Command in India. Then he was appointed to the Aldershot Command and finally Gibraltar.—British Wireless.

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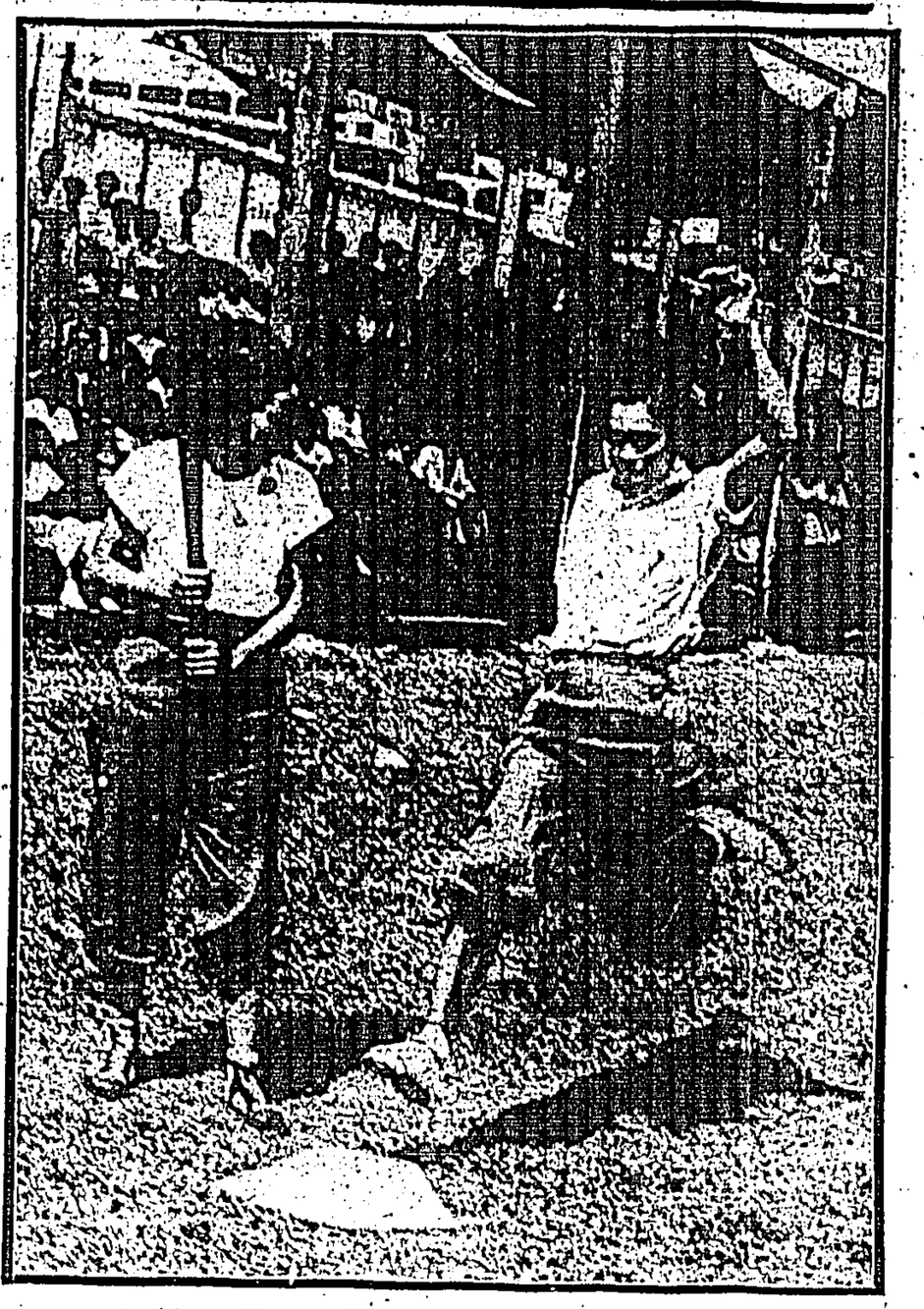
Softball Opens

The softball season has got off the mark with more enthusiasm, if possible, than ever. Taken at the Kowloon Football Club on Sunday, this photo shows Miss H. Soares, of the Panthers, at bat.



The Little Flower Club badly beaten in their first game were not discouraged. Here is Miss Foster completing a run.

Some of the large crowd which filled the stand at the Kowloon Football Club on Sunday for the opening league games of the softball season.

Miss Marques, of the Panthers, scoring with ease in Sunday's game.

Watch is being kept on stretches of the River Severn by members of the Home Guard, the "Cotswold Sea Cadets." Photo shows a patrol. (Copyright, Fox.)

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SHORT STORY

HUSBAND AND WIFE

The wealthy widow felt she had never been so happy in her life. Then came a shock. And no one could understand her babbling, "Oh, it's all going to start again," when she recovered.

By Ian Sullington

BLANCHE knew that in a few hours she would be a widow.

She stared at herself in the mirror. The face of a hard, embittered woman looked back at her. The beauty and the youth of the girl who had married Anthony Maitland twenty years ago had gone forever. To-day no one could realise that once she had starred in the famous Cafe Rouge cabarets.

Blanche turned away. Not to be released from the bargain until now, when there were grey streaks in her hair and savage lines at the corners of her mouth and eyes . . . Life had played a pretty cynical joke on her!

For she had been twenty-five when she married Anthony. The year after the War. She could have chosen a husband from scores of men—officers back from France, middle-aged business men who had made money . . .

But Anthony Maitland, sixty-two-year-old millionaire, had seemed the best opportunity, especially as he had a weak heart as well as his fortune.

She had seen herself one of England's richest widows before she was thirty. Jewels, clothes, cars, a flat in Town, a house in the country, a villa on the Riviera . . . everything that meant Life to her. Love could wait, she decided.

And now — only now, twenty years afterwards, Anthony Maitland was dying. Soon she would be free—but the best years of her life had been taken from her.

She was not even a young-looking forty-five. Living with Anthony, watching him hoard his feeble energies like a miser, reading Dickens to him in a voice that had had to be louder each week because of his deafness, going from hotel to hotel with him because it was the only way a man in a bath-chair could always be chasing the sun — every year in the last ten had seemed like two.

The door of Anthony's bedroom opened quietly. The doctor the hotel had got for him beckoned her.

"Your father is—"

She corrected him coldly. "My husband, you mean."

"I'm sorry — having rushed here—"

She could have slapped his face. It was the one thing that infuriated her above all. The way strangers always referred to Anthony as her father. Making her explain, making it obvious from her own words that she had married an old man for his money. Even now it had to happen. Well, it would be the last time, anyway. There was that much comfort. . . .

"He has very little time left," said the doctor. "I'm sorry, but there's nothing we can do. At his great age. . . ." He left the reference to Anthony's age tactfully unfinished.

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"Is he conscious?"

"Partly—only partly. He seems to want to talk to you: that is why I came out."

Blanche went into the bedroom. Anthony Maitland put out a trembling hand in feeble recognition.

"I shall soon be leaving you, Blanche. I—"

"Anthony, don't try to talk — you'll only make yourself worse." She attempted a look of concern, but it died away at the piercing stare of his eyes.

"You'll soon be free now," he went on. "I know I've lived longer than was expected. But you mustn't blame me for that, Blanche. We all keep ourselves alive as long as we can."

"Anthony—"

"What does it matter? The doctor told me just now that he couldn't do anything. I made him—always believed in facing facts. Same as I faced facts when I knew you weren't doing it because you loved me. I haven't had any illusion since . . ."

He paused and struggled for breath.

"Well, it was a fair bargain, Blanche—I'm not grumbling. You were a very beautiful woman then, my dear. So I'm keeping my side of it . . . I've left you nearly everything. Just a few charities, that's all.

"Mind you, it isn't what it was . . . lost a lot in the last ten years. But you'll get about four hundred thousand. I haven't imposed any conditions— reckon you've earned it. I know it hasn't been easy for you—spending your life with a husband everyone takes to be your father. I forgive you for all your moods and bad tempers—I shouldn't have lived so long."

Anthony Maitland's head slipped back on the pillow, as if he had decided to fall asleep and meet the end quietly.

Blanche went to the door and called the doctor.

"A few hours," whispered the doctor. "He can't last longer than that. If you'd like to go out in the grounds for some fresh air, I can make sure that you're sent for, Mrs. Maitland."

"I don't think it will be necessary to—er—send for me," she replied. "We—we have said all we need say to each other. And I dislike painful scenes."

"As you wish. I'll only send for you should he ask again."

"I don't think he will," she murmured.

She slipped on her fur coat and went down to the hotel garden. But as soon as she passed through the sun-lounge, she knew she would not be left alone as she wished.

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They had arrived at the hotel only the night before, but everyone knew Anthony was seriously ill—he had collapsed so publicly in the restaurant. If only he had been taken ill in their suite no one would have known about it. She bit her lip as she saw two or three women, oozing with sympathy and curiosity, leave their chairs and come towards her.

She didn't want to talk to people. She wanted to be alone—to think—to plan out some sort of future. . . .

The first of the sympathisers descended on her.

"Oh, my dear, please don't think I'm butting in, but is there anything I can do? Such bad luck for you as soon as you arrive! Is your poor father any better?"

Blanche wanted to scream. Was she never to be released from the endless persecution of that tactless assumption?

She said frigidly, "My father has been dead for ten years."

The woman flushed nervously. "Oh, but I—you see, I—"

"It was my husband who was taken ill this morning."

"But I'm so sorry—I thought—"

"Please don't apologise. An awkward remark is always made worse by explanations, I think. If you wish to avoid awkward remarks it is best not to speak to people you do not know."

Blanche walked on. At any rate she had relieved her feelings. There was at times a real pleasure in downright rudeness. It was pleasant now to hear the woman behind her gasping with indignation.

She knew what would happen. In a few minutes the wretched creature would be rushing all over the hotel and hissing it at everyone—"He isn't her father—he's her husband!"

It had been happening at every new hotel they had stayed at in the last ten years. It had happened on their honeymoon — the very first morning.

Well, it wouldn't — it couldn't —happen much more. Soon Anthony would be forgotten by everybody, herself included. She would spend her life in future in places where he had never even been seen. Where she could feel utterly free—where she could make up for all the years she had wasted . . .

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An hour later she returned to their suite.

She saw at once from the doctor's face that she was now a widow. She made no pretence of grief. It would have been impossible, anyway. For twenty years she had dreamt of this moment and now, even though it had come ironically late, a feeling of happiness was surging through her.

For six months after Anthony's death she made no definite plans. She simply relaxed, gradually learning what it meant to be free once more.

She began to feel young again. The patches of grey were still in her hair, the lines were still gathered round her eyes and mouth—but she could feel a renewed vitality stirring within her.

Why, because she was forty-five, should life be over for her? Better to be forty-five with a fortune of four hundred thousand than thirty with nothing.

She had her hair dyed. She went to a famous surgeon in Vienna and had the lines on her face removed. She dieted until she was almost slim again.

Anthony had taken the best years of her life. But his money could bring them back again.

Full of confidence, Blanche faced life once more—as a widow of thirty!

She went on cruises, she went to the gay, lively sort of hotels which Anthony had always avoided. Other women might know she was older than she pretended—but she was not interested in the opinions of women. It was love and romance that her heart ached for, not bridge and gossip.

And she made no secret of her fortune. Why should she? It was one of her assets. And she had certainly earned it.

She was proposed to by a retired colonel from India. An American salesman offered to go to Reno and dispose of his present wife if only she would wait for him. A Russian count threatened to commit suicide if she didn't elope with him.

But they all brought back memories of Anthony to her. The colonel suffered from gout, the salesman was going bald, and the count's joints creaked with rheumatism.

It was not till she met Alec Stacey that she stopped travelling. He was young, handsome and dashing. And he made love to her in a way that erased every year since the days of the Cafe Rouge.

She felt she had never been so happy in her life—and perhaps she hadn't. Only the thought that she was so much older than he was worried her.

But he didn't seem to mind that. He was constantly telling her how girls always bored him.

"I have nothing to offer you," he declared, "but love like mine cannot be held back. You are the most beautiful woman I have ever seen. I have friends in New York—they could get me a job—"

He was magnificently surprised when she mentioned that she had more than enough money for two people to live on.

He sighed exquisitely and turned away. "But although it is not impossible, I shall never forget you."

"But don't be so absurd. Why impossible?"

"You would always think that I had married you for your money—other people would think so."

He was superbly obstinate before he eventually allowed himself to be persuaded . . .

They were married a week later. They arrived late in the evening at the hotel they had picked for the honeymoon.

Alec went down to dinner a few minutes before she was ready.

But she could not find him when she herself went down.

A kindly-looking woman sitting in a chair got up and walked towards her.

"I think your son's just gone out to get a paper," she said.

Blanche fainted.

When she came to she kept repeating, "Oh, it's all going to start again!" But nobody knew what she meant.

Who Is Fitter For The Fight?

Health Standards Of Britain And Germany Examined

Of all the propaganda boasts that have been blared out from German sources in the last few years, none has been more insistent than the claim that Nazism brought new health and rejuvenation to the German people.

While the decadent British are drifting to moral and physical decay, Germany has been restored to virility and power. At least, that's what Dr. Goebbels says — and there are many people who believe him.

Propaganda boasts, however, are one thing, and facts are another. The figures and statistics don't tell the Goebbels story. Indeed, the picture they paint is just the opposite.

The last year for which complete and reliable statistics are available is 1937, and the first comparable figures are extremely interesting. German propagandists have excelled themselves in their claims for "living space"—yet there are twice as many people in every square mile of England and Wales as there are in Germany.

In 1937, the density of population figure for Germany was 363 persons per sq. mile—but 703 per sq. mile in England and Wales.

This comparison is extremely important in its bearing on national health, for over-crowding of population is one of the most fertile causes of disease and, on the face of it, the health and other vital statistics for England and Wales ought to make a poor showing compared with the new and healthy Reich of the Nazis. But what are the facts?

The Death Rate Rises

Take the death rate first. The death rate in England and Wales during 1937 was 12.4 per 1,000 of population, while in Germany, with only half the density of population, the figure was practically the same—11.7 per 1,000 of population.

And while the death rate for England and Wales has been falling steadily over a long period of years, the German figure, according to Dr. Martin Gumpert—formerly head of the Berlin City Dispensary for Deformity Diseases and now a refugee in America — is 80,000 higher compared with the year before the Nazis came into power.

As soon as the Nazis were firmly entrenched in Germany, a nation-wide campaign was begun to increase the number of marriages, every kind of inducement being offered to the country's marriageable men and women. Yet, in 1937, there was no appreciable difference between the marriage rates of Germany and England and Wales. The German marriage rate was 18.2 per 1,000 of population, while the figure for England and Wales was 17.4.

The Nazis certainly succeeded in obtaining a higher birth rate—18.8 per 1,000 of population compared with 14.9 for England and Wales. But it is significant that the German total of illegitimate births should be more than twice the comparable figure for England and Wales, 9 per cent. against 4 per cent.

Suicides Soaring

An even grimmer commentary on living conditions in the two countries is provided by the suicide statistics. Even by 1935, when the strain on Germans was not nearly as severe as it is today, the German suicide rate was double that of England and Wales.

Over the four-year period, 1931–5, the German rate was 28.5 per 100,000 of population, while in England and Wales, during the four-year period 1932–6, the rate was 13.5.

Moreover, there is a mass of reliable evidence to prove that, in the last few years, the German suicide rate has soared until, according to Dr. Gumpert, there are almost as many suicides in Germany to-day as there are in the whole of the remainder of Europe.

Thanks to Goering's "Guns or butter" campaign, infantile sickness in Germany has reached alarming proportions. Most of the fat content of milk in now separated and used for war purposes. As a result, rickets and other malnutrition diseases are widely prevalent—while in England and Wales they have practically disappeared.

In 1937, 72 persons in every 100,000 of the population of England and Wales died of tuberculosis. The German figure for the same year was 73. But since then it has far outstripped the English rate. According to figures extracted from official Nazi publications, there are now more than 1,500,000 cases of tuberculosis in Germany.

Dirt And Disease

Shortage of soap and other aids to personal cleanliness have brought about a dangerous increase in diseases where dirt is a prime factor, especially when there is the added danger from bad or tainted food.

In England and Wales, during 1937, there was not one death from either smallpox or cholera, while the typhoid death rate was 5 per million of population. But in Germany, according to Dr. Gumpert, the Nazi regime has brought with it a 300 per cent. increase in these diseases.

All these facts are fully borne out by the ceaseless importation of workers from those countries which have fallen victims to German conquest, and the cancellation, in March of this year, of the pre-Nazi legislation which forbade the employment of young children.

Replacing Broken Workers

More than 500,000 Poles and Czechs have been conscripted for forced labour in Germany — to make good the loss of working hours caused by the breakdown in health of so many German workers.

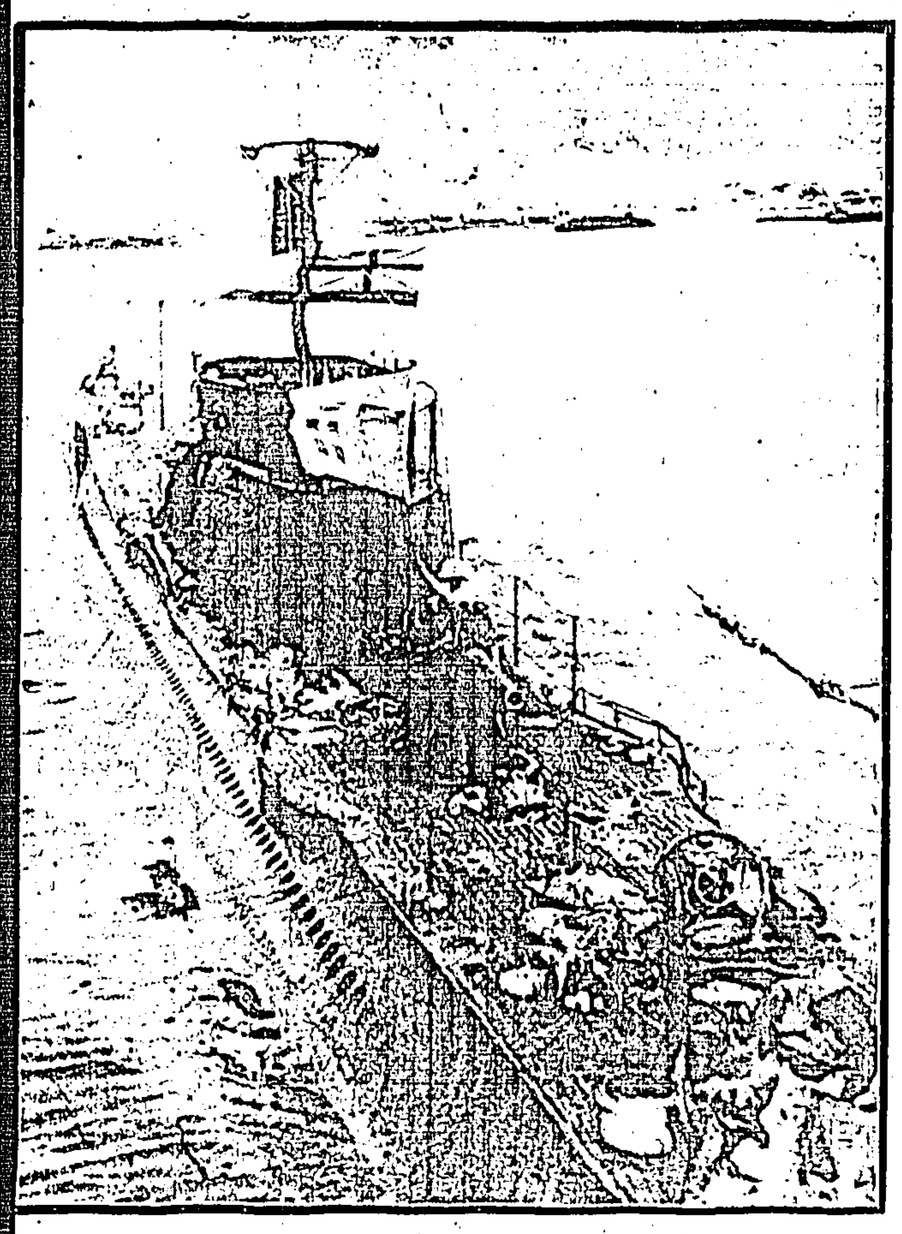
The Nazi decree making the employment of young persons permissible had as its object the conscription of youth for work in mines, as a result of heavy falls in output due to ill-health among miners

It would, however, be highly dangerous to imagine that the health factor alone could justify a slackening in the British war effort. On the contrary, the workers of Britain have a tremendous task ahead of them. They are competing not only with the larger army of German workers, but with the millions of able-bodied men and women who are liable to instant labour conscription in German factories and workshops.

The task of equalling and outstripping German war production is probably the grimmest that the free workers of Britain have ever had to face.

But they will face it cheerfully, in the knowledge that they will have ample food, the best of medical facilities and, that they are fitter for the fight than their opponents.

—By—
David J. Murphy



BRITISH FLAG FLIES ABOVE ITALIAN ON CAPTURED SUBMARINE. Captured in the Gulf of Aden by the British trawler Moonstone, the Italian submarine Galileo Galilei was brought into harbour with the white ensign flown above the Italian flag, as this photo shows.

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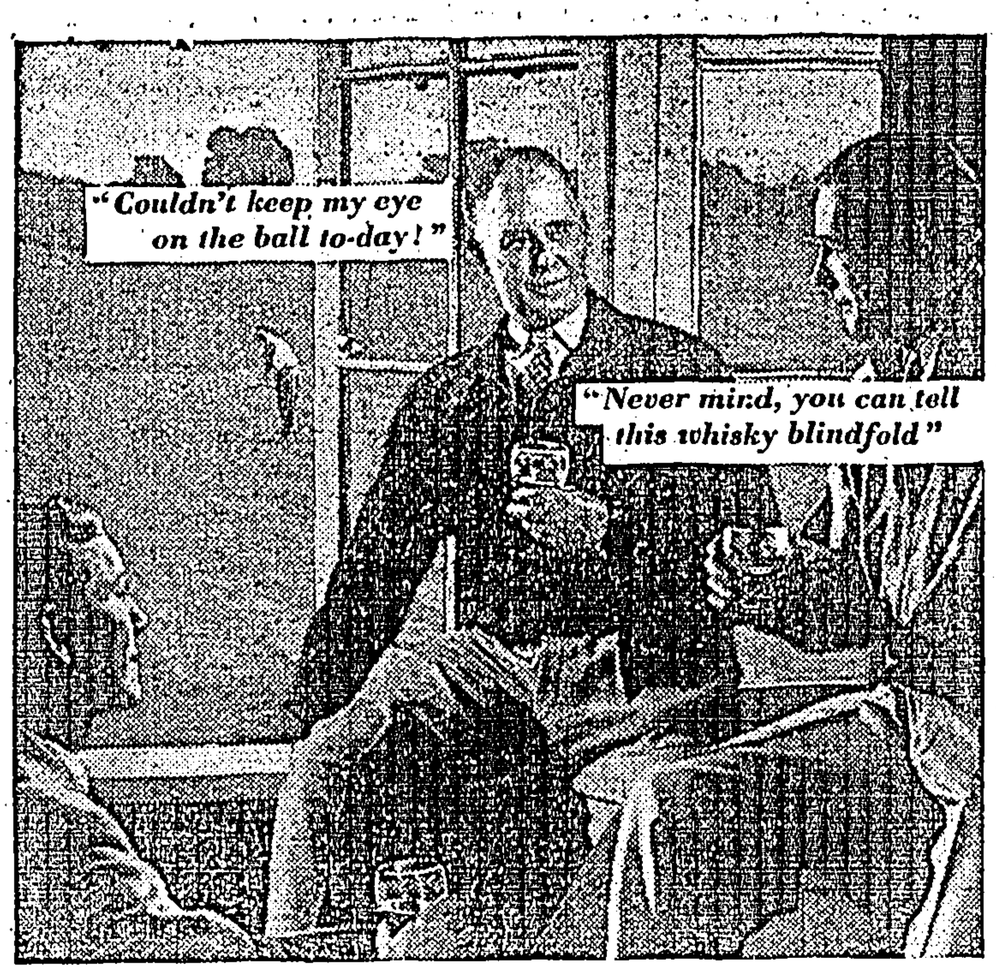

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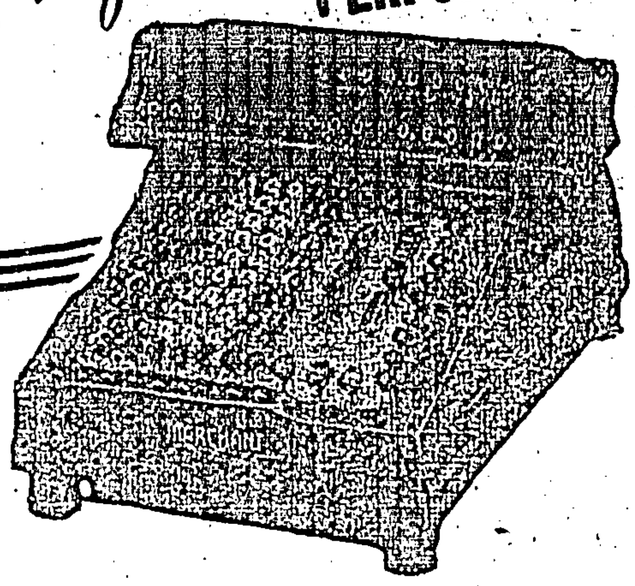

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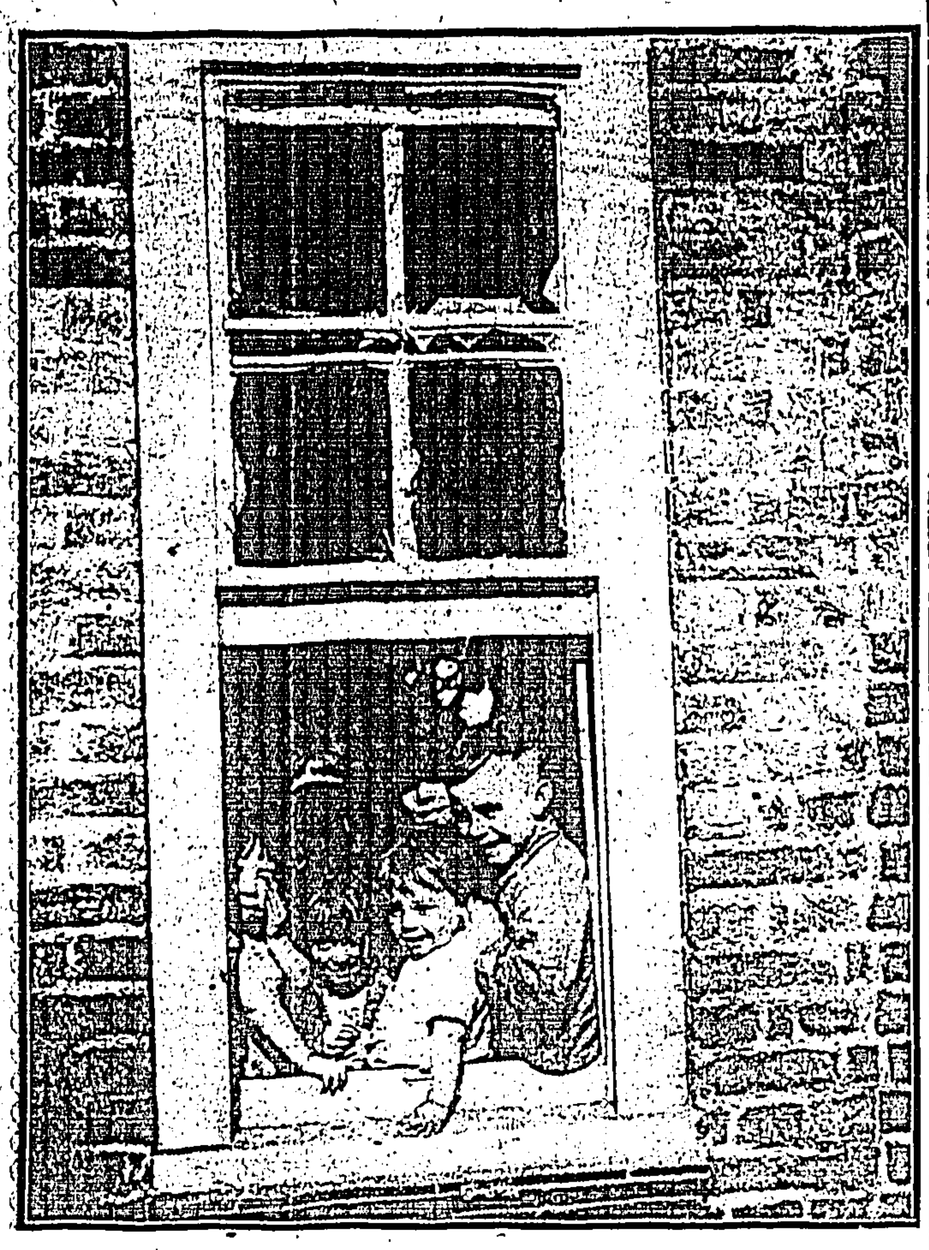
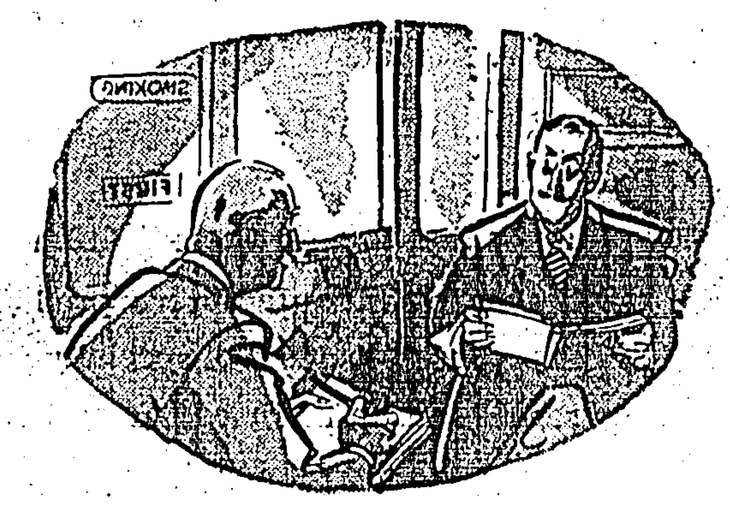


An enemy bomb fell on a block of working class flats during an air raid on the London area, but there were few casualties. Photo shows a family of children who were in the flats, but were unhurt, looking through their damaged bedroom window.

Assembling a batch of South African made mortars, a part the Union is playing in the British Empire's war effort.



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"I beg your pardon, Sir. I'm terribly sorry. Fact is, I've a most appalling headache, and the cool air does it good. I attended a most enjoyable party last night, and I'm feeling much the worse for it."

"My dear fellow, why didn't you say so at first? Trouble is, it's so long since I've had a hangover myself, I've almost forgotten the symptoms. Was there no Rose's Lime Juice in your corner of the Shires?"

"Afraid I don't follow you."

"Rose's Lime Juice, I said. Cancels hangovers in advance. You either mix it with gin, or swallow a stiff glass solo before bed. Why, man, it's smoothed the paths of thousands."

"You're telling me that Rose's fills this long-felt want?"

"I've never known it fail."

"Then, Sir, I am deeply indebted to you. Here is my card. I trust that we shall see more of each other. Much more. Are you by any chance free to dine tonight? Wonderful how these chance encounters change the course of one's whole life."

How British Air Pilots Are Chosen

By A Medical Correspondent

The medical examination of a would-be air pilot is a very thorough affair and to the layman it would seem surprising that a reasonable proportion of the candidates successfully pass the scrutiny of the five members of the Medical Board. This, however, is the case, despite the fact that the standard required in the British Air Force is still that of pre-war years and has not been lowered because of the war.

Visual troubles, perhaps, cause the largest proportion of failures, and the tests for colour blindness by means of the lantern exhibition of coloured discs reveal that some five per cent. of the men are not normal in this respect. Visual acuity is judged by standard test types read by each eye separately without glasses at twenty feet.

The detection of latent squint in a candidate is of even greater importance than the discovery of a moderate error of refraction. The ability of a pilot to land aircraft successfully depends to a great extent on the presence of normal ocular muscle balance.

There are two classes of licence for civil aviators, "A" and "B". The former class is essentially amateur and the medical standards are lower than those for the "B" licence pilot, who alone is entitled to carry passengers and goods for hire or reward, and who requires the same type of medical examination as the Service pilot.

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Stress of Flying

There are certain minor differences in the standards of civil and Royal Air Force pilots and these are mainly concerned with the relative significance of various disabilities which have occurred in the candidate's life. The essential object, of course, is the selection of pilots capable of withstanding the stress of flying on active service, or a life of arduous civil flying. Apart from the elimination of candidates who fail to conform to the standards of sight and hearing, or who show signs of organic disease of a gross or potentially disabling nature, it is necessary to decide whether a candidate possesses a degree of mental and physical stamina compatible with the safe handling of aircraft under any conditions for prolonged periods in peace or war.

To form an opinion on these points, evidence as to the soundness of the stock from which the candidate comes, the illnesses from which he has suffered, the sports in which he is proficient or excels, the stresses to which he has been exposed and the manner in which they have been borne are of great importance.

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Complete Harmony

Information obtained by clinical examination is supplemented by the candidate's responses to the tests for physical efficiency. This implies a state in which the various systems of the body are primarily intact and are so co-ordinated as to work together in complete harmony, even under conditions of prolonged and severe mental or physical stress.

There should also be a high degree of resistance to disease and a rapid recovery rate. Physical efficiency is not regarded as consisting only of athletic prowess.

Selection of candidates is based on the following considerations —the personal and family history of the candidate in relation to nervous stability, respiratory and circulatory efficiency and past illnesses; a general medical and surgical examination, including tests for physical efficiency, and eye, ear, nose and throat examinations. A careful assessment of the factors elicited under these heads is then made.

Definite causes for rejection include severe nervous breakdown, migraine accompanied by visual disturbance, fits or fainting attacks suggestive of epilepsy, pulmonary tuberculosis, persistent asthma, and a definite history of gastric or duodenal ulcer, eye, ear, nose and throat trouble.

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Physiological Attributes

The general medical and surgical examination is carried out, not only to exclude the presence of defects or disease, but also to determine tnat the candidate is possessed of physiological attributes likely to render him an efficient pilot. For this reason there are incorporated tests for physical efficiency not usually carried out in routine medical examinations.

These involve the use of the U-tube manometer with about two feet of rubber pressure tubing connected to a rubber covered glass mouth-piece. Pulse response tests are taken with the candidate sitting quietly, changing posture and during exercise. Blood pressure is also estimated by the use of the sphygmomanometer.

Breath-holding capacity is then gauged—the minimum time for the normal fit young adult being one minute. Candidates unable to hold their breath for more than fifty seconds are liable to suffer from oxygen want at high altitudes owing to respiratory inefficiency.

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Nervous System

The central nervous system is also considered. The general response of the whole body accompanying reflexes is recorded and tremors are detected whilst the candidate stands with eye-lids closed and arms outstretched at shoulder level. The almost invisibly fine tremor, usually associated with some degree of hyperthyroidism, is detected by holding the candidate's outstretched fingers loosely between the hands.

Self-balancing tests follow and as a check on endurance, the candidate blows mercury in a U-tube to a height of forty millimetres and keeps it at that level as long as possible. Unsteadiness in the balancing tests indicates defective higher nervous control

There is also an expiratory force test in which the candidate blows the mercury steadily as high as possible.

Particular attention is paid to leg-length and the men with leg-length of 39 inches, combined with a height of 64 inches, are accepted for piloting duties. If the leg length or height is less a practical test in a service aircraft is given to ascertain whether the man has an unobstructed view from the cockpit and the ability to manipulate the rudder bar and brakes. For observer duties candidates with a height of 62 inches may be accepted.

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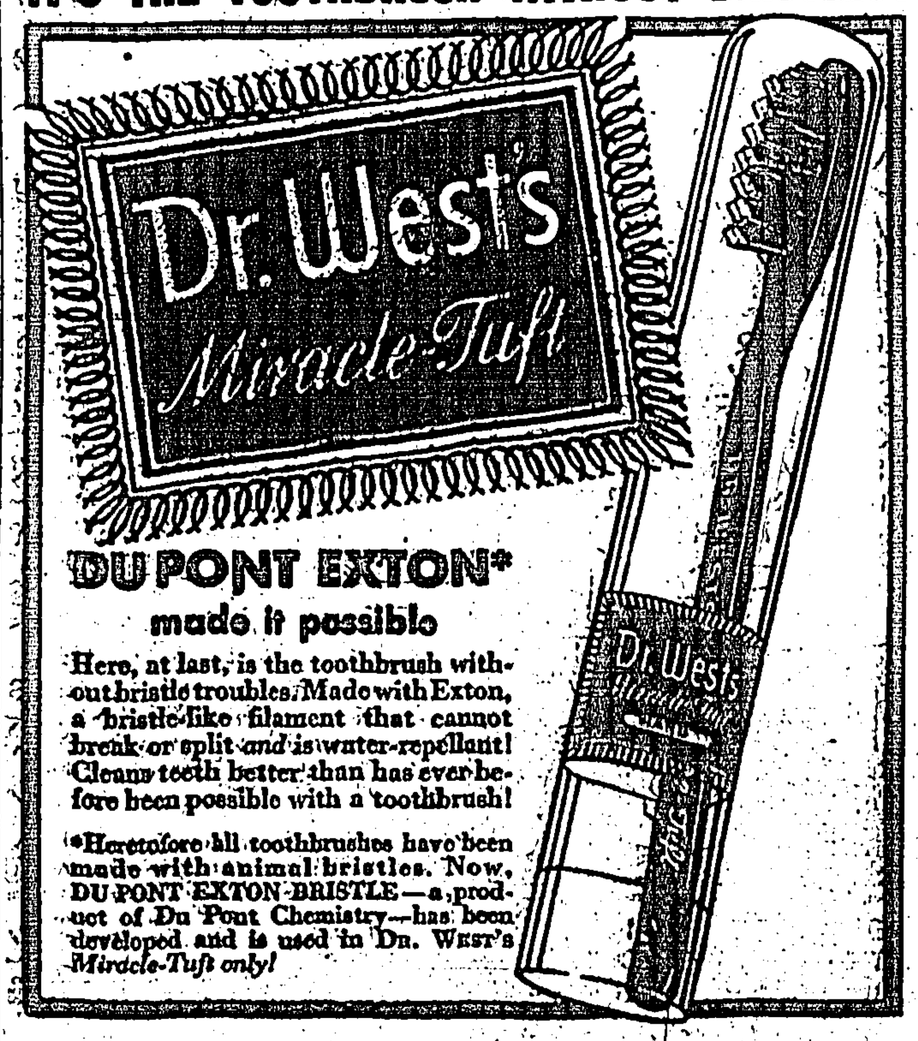

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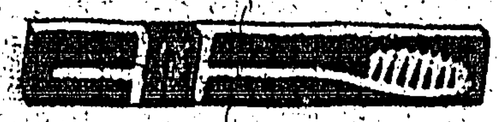

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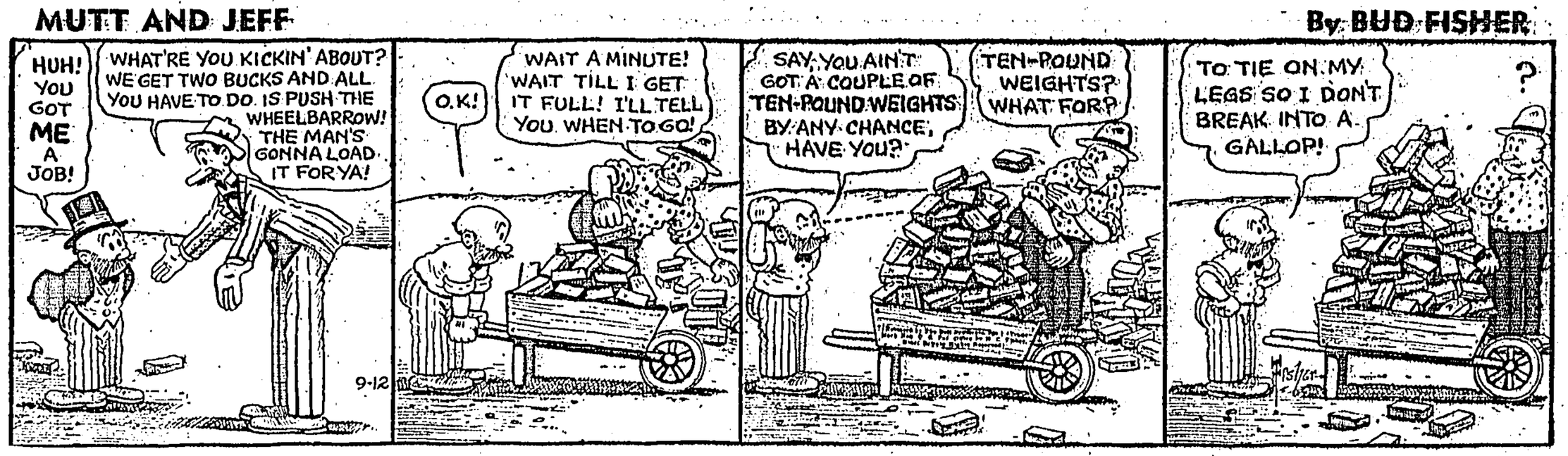

A PAGE FOR WOMEN

Tanned To A Turn

HOW does your skin take to the sun—painfully, slowly or easily? It all depends, of course, on the type and texture of your complexion, and there are three types.

There's the fair, fine, delicate skin that flushes scarlet at the first touch of the sun, the medium skin that goes through a stage of redness and discomfort before it turns a warm peach, and the dark skin that tans easily, growing darker and smoother and more chocolate with every hour in the sun

Each of these three types needs a different tan treatment and a different make-up.

If You Are Fair

You have a choice of two alternatives. Either you stay milk-and-roses, or you take a lot of care and trouble and very gradually acquire a pale gold skin.

My advice to you is to stay fair and make capital out of it. Brown skin doesn't suit you as much as pink and white, and tanning will coarsen its exquisite texture. So make a point of staying cool and serene and fair as a white rose amid all the warm brown skins around you.

It means, of course, that you'll have to provide yourself with a good sunproof cream or liquid and use it frequently whenever you're going to be in the sun, and always under your powder.

Ration Your Sun

It means you'll have to be lavish with your cooling skin cream, or tannic acid jelly, at night after you've been sunning, and that you'll have to ration your sun to not more than a couple of hours a day.

But, in spite of all your precautions, you'll freckle, of course; fair skins do that whether they see the sun or not. But I like freckles, and if I were you I'd find out definitely first whether other people don't like them, too, before you decide to get rid of them. And, if you decide they must go, bleach them away with a freckle cream.

Choose your make-up to fit into the cool ivory picture, nourishing white milk foundation under clear pale cameo powder, pastel pinks, and rose tints like the new natural rose, pastel or rose pink for your lips and cheeks, with rosy tips for your nails.

If You Are Medium

If you choose the second alternative, because you like to tan or because you're in an open-air job and can't be a lily, then do take the trouble to do it slowly. Get yourself a good protective cream that will let you tan and won't let you burn and keep it coated over your face and arms. Choose a pale peach gold for your powder and put a gay orange pink on your lips.

Your skin is the type that can be nursed into a nice warm tan. If you're careful you can cut out the ugly red in between stage by using a good suntan cream and get your tan all the quicker.

The best preparation for you is a suntan cream that's suntan colour—a cool bronze cream specially created for the tropics. Smooth it all over your face and limbs before you go into the sun, and it will cut out all the burning rays, at the same time giving your skin a warm suntanned look

Choose a peach tan powder to go over it to emphasise the brownness and touch your lips and cheeks with one of those new clear velvet reds like the heart of a red rose.

Later, when you're really brown, deepen your powder to a summer tan shade and lighten your lipstick to the gay vivid pink of a pink geranium. It's one of the most becoming make-ups in the world. And film the faintest touch of greeny blue shadow on your lids.

If You Are Dark

You're the lucky person who after a struggle against greasy skin comes into your own in the sun. With the help of a bronze suntan oil or liquid for your limbs and back, you can brown evenly and smoothly and look lovely while you're doing it.

When you want a matt make-up use a bronze suntan foundation with a powdering of deep brown suntan powder, and for rouge and lipstick one of those warm red-browns, the colour of lovely old brick wall in the sun. And, for fun, for evenings, or for when you wear soft colours, get yourself one of those tremendously gay, bright orange lipsticks. They look heavenly against a glowing brown skin.

Care Of The Feet

All three types of beauty need to take as particular care of the feet as of the face. There is no reason why feet should not appear as attractive as possible, and, while perfect feet are rare these days, pedicure can help keep feet free from disfigurments and the toenails carefully cut.

Before any foot treatment is undertaken, first cleanse the feet with a small piece of cottonwool dampened with methylated spirit. Special attention must be given to the skin between the toes, and this is best accomplished by wrapping a small piece of cottonwool around an orange stick, dipping it in the spirit, and then thoroughly working it in between the toes. This will harden the skin, prevent soreness, and thus help the feet towards greater attractiveness.

File And Emery Board

After the feet have been thoroughly treated in this manner, separate the toes with small pieces of cottonwool. This will make it easier to give correct pedicure, and you will find that it is better to treat one foot at a time. Shape the nails, using a fairly large file. Do not cut too close into the corners, and keep the shape as nearly straight across as is possible. In this manner you will avoid ingrowing toe-nails As the nail is usually rather hard and horny, you should never attempt to cut the nails with scissors, as this will often make them break and crack.

After the nails have been filed into a good shape, smooth them down with an emery board and then cleanse them. Dip an orange stick in soapy water and then in peroxide, and thoroughly cleanse with this liquid, then with your cuticle remover, take away any roughness which is around the base or the side of the nail, and then wash each nail carefully with soapy water. Rinse away all lather and dry thoroughly.

When you have shaped the nails and cuticles, and cleansed the skin, make the underneath part of the nail very white with nail white, then buffer the upper part of the nail so that you will have a good surface for applying nail varnish if you use varnish.

Employees of a well-known store in Oxford Street, London, are now busy fruit-picking in Worcestershire. Photo shows that Miss Al Royce, a saleswoman, has acquired the art of basket carrying. (Copyright, Fox).

A person who goes around balancing a chip on his shoulder can't expect to get many pats on the back.

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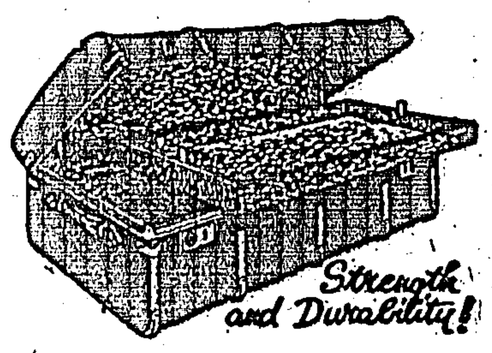

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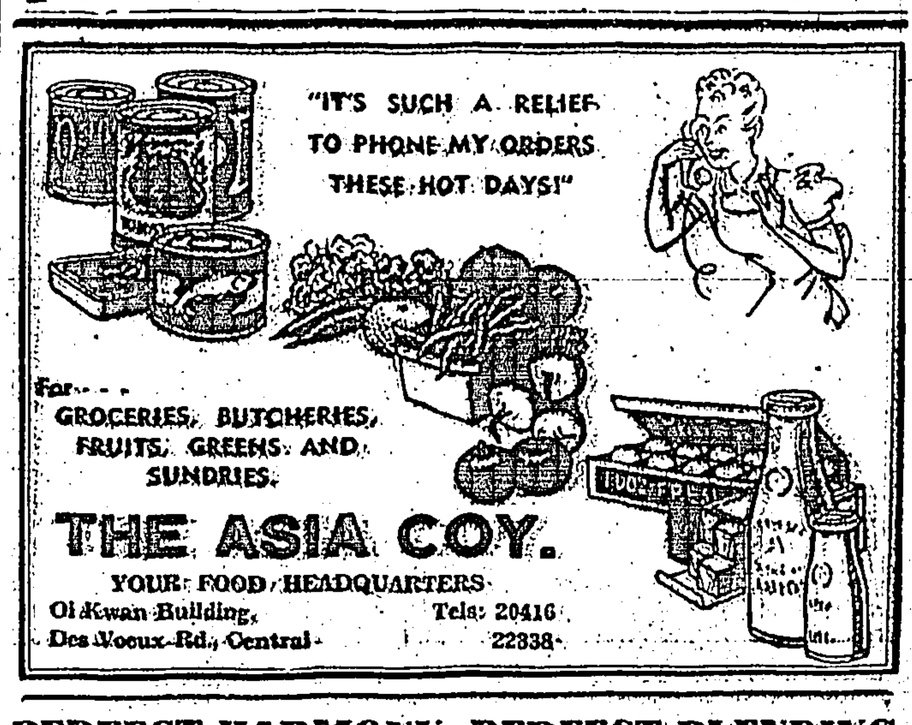

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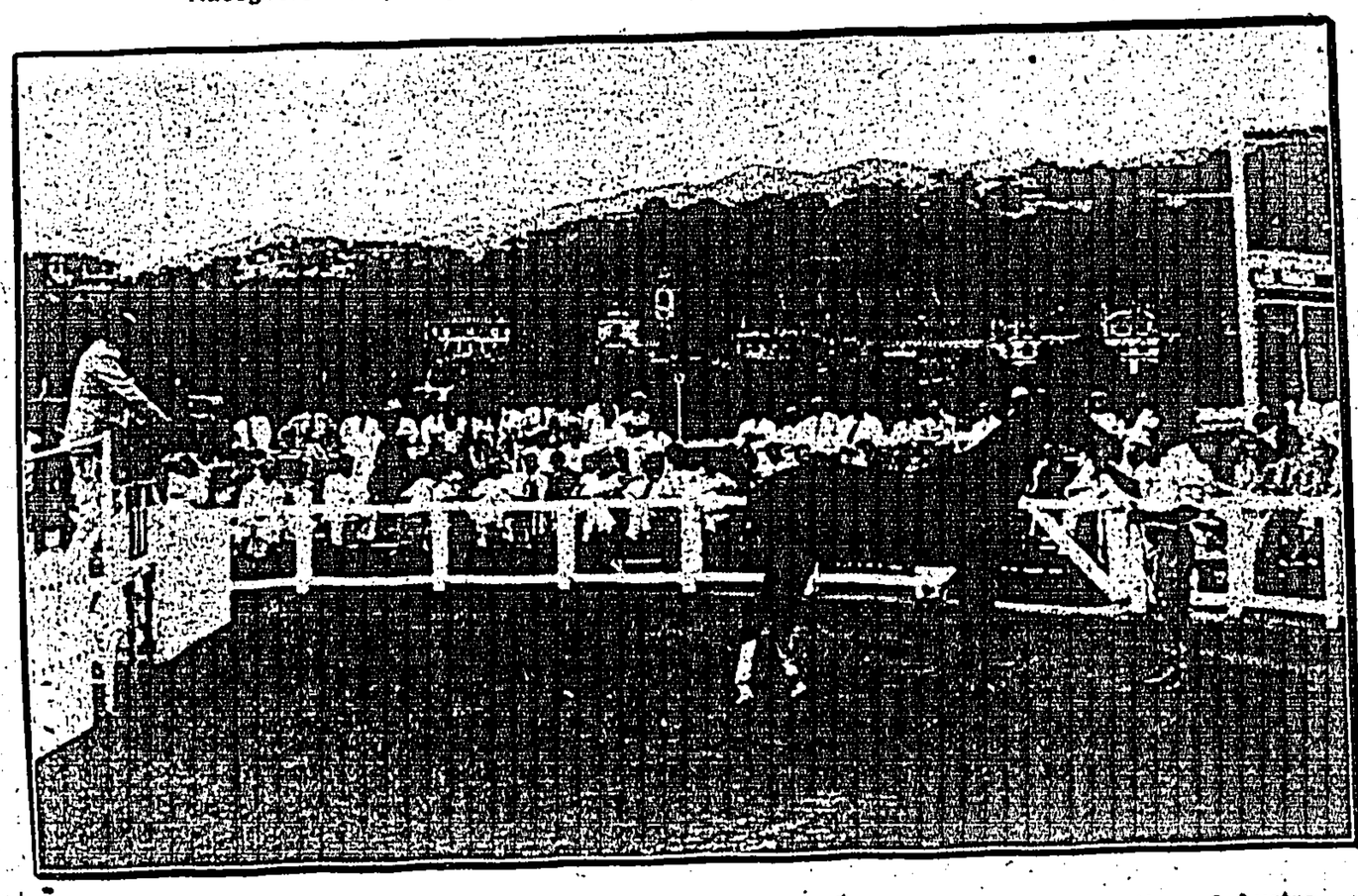
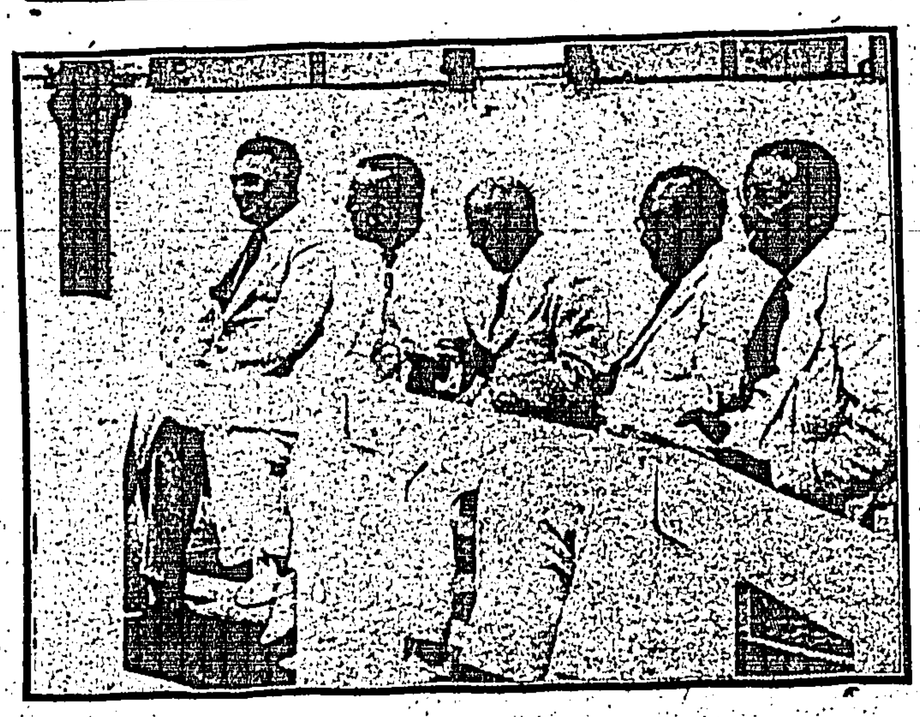
Racegoers had plenty of excitement at the extra race meeting last Saturday, when the big sweep turned in a first prize of over $168,000 and brought over $61,000 for war funds. This picture taken at the finish of the Moore Park Handicap, shows Vanity Fair (Ip Kui-ying) fighting out the lead. Vanity Fair won from Ascot Day, but was disqualified for bumping and boring.

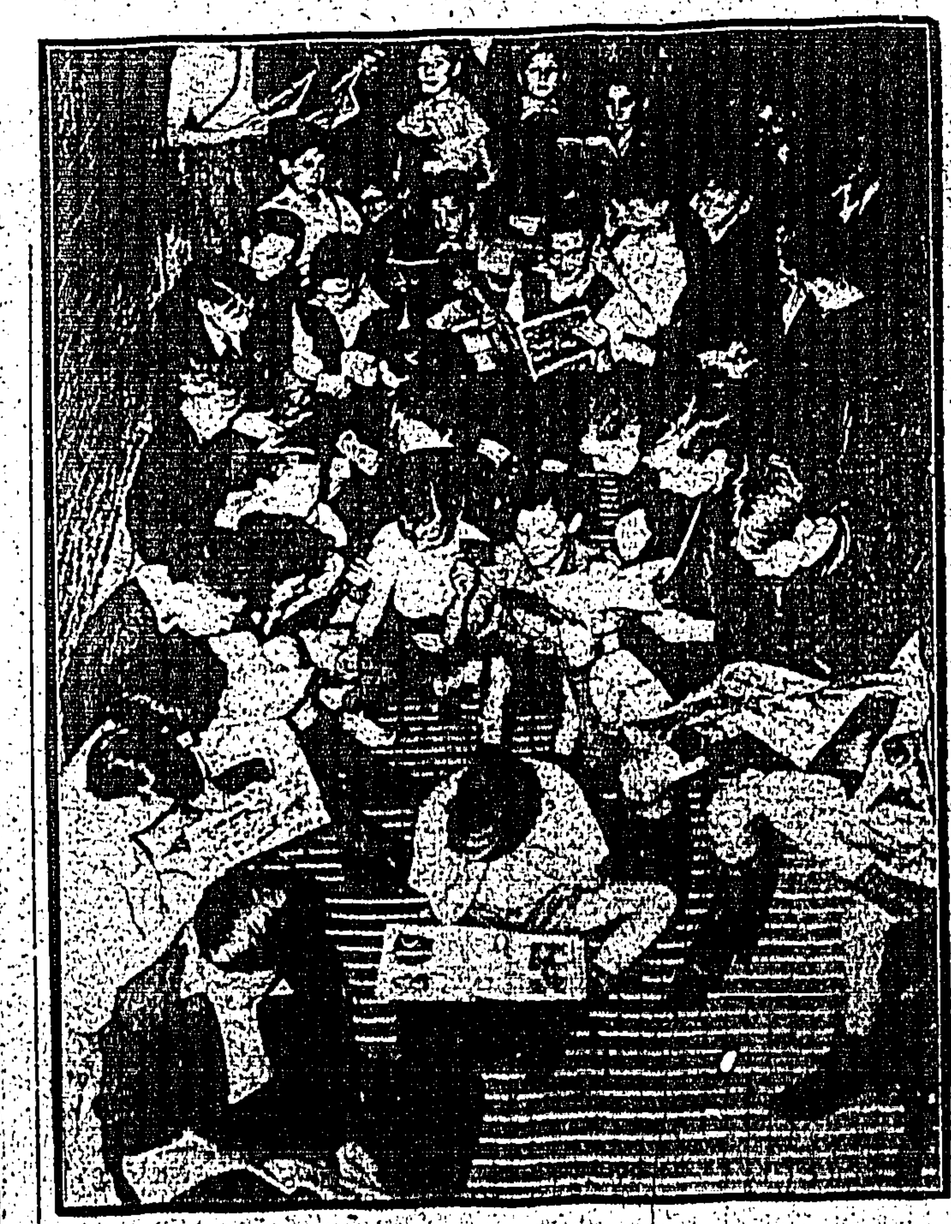




The first auction of Australian ponies to be held in Hong Kong was an unqualified success, and high prices were bid for many of the ponies on offer. Mr. T. E. Pearce is shown auctioning off a good looker.

(Right).—Mr. H. F. Phillips at Happy Valley on Sunday when the contest with Kowloon Golf Club resulted in a narrow win for the Valleyites.

(Left)—A group, including Col. H. B. L. Dowbiggin at the sale of Australian griffins.



Little Londoners rather enjoy the air-raid alarms, as it gives them an opportunity to read their comic papers etc., during school hours. Here is a scene in the school shelter at the Hugh Myddleton School, Clerkenwell. (Copyright, Fox.)

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Hitler Plays Up To Petain With Military Honours

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

THE HISTORICAL meeting between Marshal Petain and Hitler, upon which, as it was officially stated in Vichy yesterday, "the position of France and her future largely depends," occurred late yesterday afternoon.

Exact place of the meeting is not disclosed but the official announcement stated it occurred amid "impressive surroundings" and that the conference was lengthy.

Marshal Petain, accompanied by Pierre Laval, the Vice-Premier, crossed the demarcation line between the occupied and unoccupied zone at 8 a.m.

Military honours were rendered him on both sides of the line, after which Marshal Petain and Laval proceeded to the point where they met Hitler.

The formal announcement on the conference made in Vichy last evening confirmed the general impression of the extreme importance of the talks, and that the interview between the chiefs of the French and German States is actually the culminating point in Franco-German conferences which started a few days ago but were conducted speedily.

Laval Movements

Laval proceeded to Paris on October 17, returning to Vichy on Sunday: he reported to Marshal Petain and then left again for Paris on Monday.

On Tuesday, Laval had a lengthy talk with Hitler "somewhere in France."

He returned to Vichy on Wednesday, conferred again with Marshal Petain and then proceeded with the latter to see Hitler yesterday morning.

All these talks culminated in the historic meeting of Marshal Petain, Laval, Hitler and Ribbentrop yesterday.

Vichy Impression

The impression is prevalent in Vichy that the Brenner interview between Mussolini and Hitler was the starting point the Franco-German talks.

Apparently it led also to the momentous conference between Hitler and General Franco on the Franco-Spanish border on Wednesday which had probably been prepared by Himmler, the Gestapo chief on his trip to Madrid, and especially by the Spanish Foreign Minister, Senor Serrano Suner, when he visited Berlin and Rome.

These talks were probably linked to the talks in Rome between General Antonescu, Rumanian Dictator, and Mussolini. — Havas.

MILITARY DRIVER FINED

FOLLOWING A FATAL ACCIDENT IN NATHAN ROAD ON OCTOBER 7, A MILITARY DRIVER, PU IU-SHING, 26, WAS FINED $50 BY MR. E. HIMSWORTH AT KOWLOON THIS MORNING FOR DRIVING WITHOUT DUE CARE AND CAUTION.

It was alleged that near Middle Road, he knocked down a 54-year-old woman, Tsoi Ngor, who died later in hospital.

Col. E. H. M. Clifford, of the Royal Engineers, was a passenger in the car, which was proceeding along Nathan Road towards the Star Ferry from Whitfield Barracks. He told the Court that when about 100 yards from the junction of Middle Road, he saw two Chinese women crossing the street without looking either way. The car was doing about 25 m.p.h. and slowed down about 10 yards from the spot, but one of the women was knocked down.

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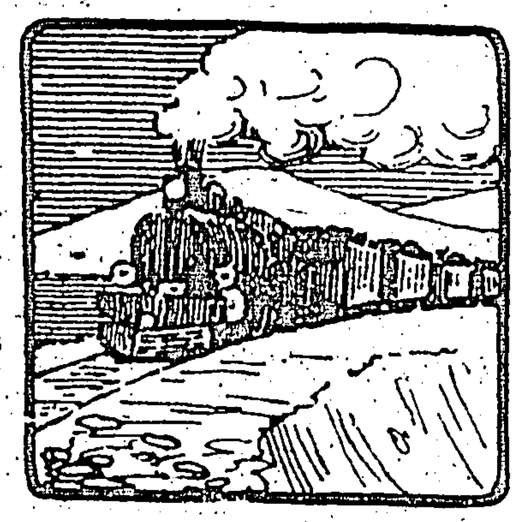

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DOUBLE MURDER: FARM HAND ACCUSED

AT THE CRIMINAL Sessions this morning, before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl Macgregor, Tai Koon-hing, farm hand, was charged with the murder of Ho Wan, farmer at Ling Tin Village on September 22.

Mr. J. Reynolds, assisted by Inspector L. R. Whant, is for the prosecution, while Mr. G. She, instructed by Mr. A. S. K. Lau, is for the defence.

The jury is composed of Messrs S. Sheehan (foreman), H. D. Bidwell, Tso Hing-king, H. A. Roza, S. Benjamin, J. G. Rocha and Long Wai-tin.

Mr. Reynolds, for the Crown, said that the dead man and his uncle were farmers and lived in a house in Ling Tin Village. Both were married but the families occupied different parts of the house.

Deceased, Ho Wan, employed one foki, while the uncle, Ho Ka-chan, employed two, one of them the accused.

Accused was engaged in the Spring and worked until September 21, the date of the incidents. He generally had his meals with the family of his employer, but slept in a matshed in front of the house. On September 20, Cheung Chui-tai, wife of Ho Wan, went to bed at about 9 p.m. Her two-year-old daughter slept with her. At about midnight, she was aroused and saw accused in her room, carrying a kerosene lamp. He approached her bed, pulled aside the mosquito nets and put his hands on her breast. She called out for her husband. Accused waited a while and then went outside. She heard her husband asking accused what he was doing.

Did Not Want To Go

Next morning, accused turned up for his morning meal as usual. The woman was washing dishes when she heard Ho Ka-chan, her husband's uncle, tell accused that he could no longer be employed owing to his behaviour. He was paid off and told to leave. Some time later, the uncle and the wife saw accused still in the matshed. He refused to leave and nothing was done then.

Later in the day, accused's mother was sent for and she persuaded him to leave.

Outside the matshed, Ho Wan met accused and smacked him twice.

Next morning, Ho Wan had breakfast at about 9 a.m. while his uncle was in bed reading his paper. About 10 or 15 minutes later, his uncle's wife saw Ho Wan leave the house and shortly after heard shouts of "Save life."

She ran towards the pig sty, and there saw accused with a chopper in his hand striking at Ho Wan. He threatened her and entered the front door of the house. Here she heard her husband crying for help and then saw accused leave the back door and make off for the hills.

Met By Crowd

In the house, Ho Ka-chan was found to be severely wounded. A watchman, armed with a revolver, heard the alarm, and went up the hill. He found a man blowing a whistle and, some distance away, accused with the chopper in his hand. Under threats, accused dropped the chopper, but ran away. He was met by another crowd and taken into custody.

In his first statement to the Police, accused said he was dismissed for nothing, and when formally charged, said that he had been accused of teasing Ho Wan's wife.

Heavy Blows

Dr. Tai, of Kowloon Hospital, said he performed a post-mortem on Ho Wan and Ho Ka-chan. The first man had several wounds on the head, shoulder and neck extending the whole length of the neck. The spinal column and cord had been cut through. Heavy blows were required to inflict these wounds.

An internal examination showed that he had an enlarged spleen, weighing eight and two third pounds, almost 50 times the normal size. This, witness said, was the heaviest he had ever weighed. The spleen was not ruptured.

He also examined the body of Ho Ka-chan. There were a number of head wounds.

Further evidence was not taken regarding the uncle as accussed is charged with the single murder.

Case is proceeding.

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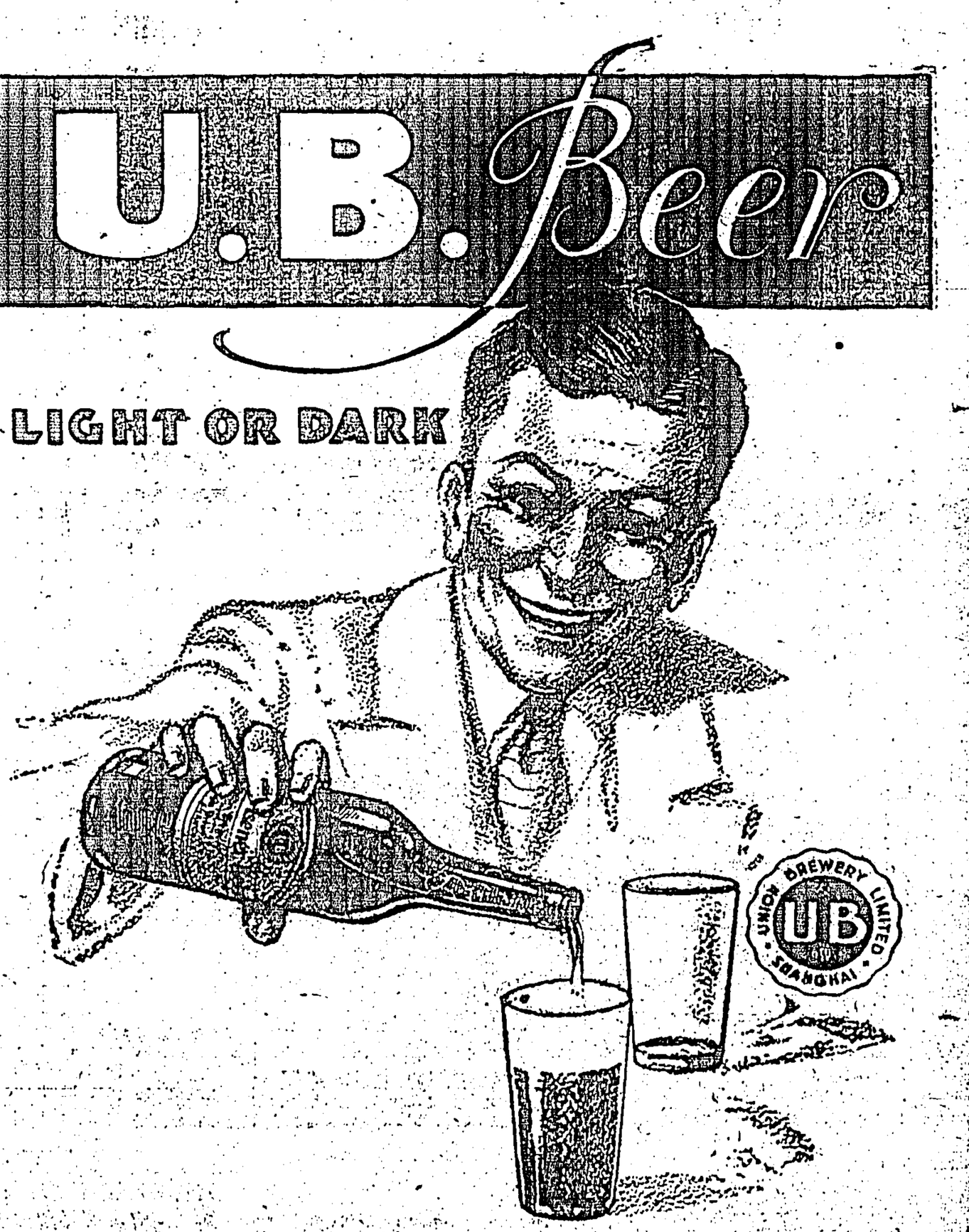

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After being held up by a Japanese trawler and having part of the cargo and the cannons dumped into the water at Ta Kan, junk No. T4188H, with Wong Yau, 19, in charge, was later robbed by 50 junk pirates, according to a report made to the police last night. The cargo of wax and salt was valued at $1,840.

EASING PRICES ON STOCK MARKET

Home rails were still to the forefront on the London Stock Exchange yesterday but profit-taking reduced earlier gains. Industrials displayed several good spots but generally prices tended to ease. Gilt-edged and Kaffirs were better supported towards the close. Wall Street was firm.—Reuter.

BRIDGE NOTES

By The Four Aces

Finessing Without Risk

"Please tell us where we went wrong," writes N.O.V. of Cincinnati. "We know that a grand slam should not be bid if a finesse has to be taken, but this one was very tempting. At that, if my partner had finessed the other way for the Queen of spades we'd have made the contract. Was my jump to the Grand Slam very bad?"

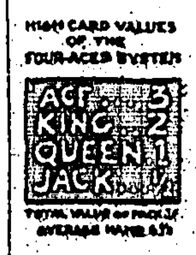
South, Dealer
Neither side vulnerable

	♠ A 10 8 ♡ A 10 9 ◇ A 10 9 ♣ A K J 6	
♠ 6 ♡ 7 6 5 3 2 ◇ 8 7 6 5 3 ♣ 7 3	N W E S	♠ Q 7 5 4 3 2 ♡ 8 4 ◇ 4 2 ♣ 5 4 2
	♠ K J 9 ♡ K Q J ◇ K Q J ♣ Q 10 9 8	

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1NT	Pass	7NT	Pass
Pass	Pass		

In our opinion there is nothing wrong with the bidding. We grant that a Grand Slam should not be bid when a finesse must be taken — but there is no way to tell, during the bidding, that a finesse will be necessary. After all, the two hands have identical distribution; otherwise they would produce thirteen tricks in top cards. Furthermore, when two partners hold every high card except for one Queen, they should bid a Grand Slam first and think about it later.



As it happens, the Grand Slam is easily made without guesswork if South takes advantage of all the available information. If he simply runs his clubs, hearts, and diamonds, he will discover that East can follow suit to only three rounds of clubs and two rounds of each red suit. Since East must have held thirteen cards originally, and since only seven of them could have been clubs, hearts or diamonds, it is a certainty that the other six must have been spades. That leaves only one spade in the West hand.

After this analysis, South should lead a spade to dummy's Ace and finesse the spade return through East's Queen. In that way the contract is made without even the slightest risk of failure.

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Yesterday you were Howard Schenken's partner and, with both sides vulnerable, you held:

♠ Q J 10 6 4
♡ 8 5
◇ K 7 4
♣ K Q 7

The bidding:

Jacoby	Schenken	Mailer	You
1♡	Dbl.	Pass	(?)

ANSWER: Bid two spades. Your hand is strong enough to guarantee a game opposite a Takeout Double. Even if your partner has no fit for spades, your minor-suit strength assures a game in one of those suits or, perhaps, no-trump.

Score 100% for two spades, 40% for one spade.

Question No. 547

To-day you are David Bruce Burnestone's partner and, with both sides vulnerable, you hold:

♠ J 7 5 4
♡ 9
◇ Q 9 5 3
♣ J 6 4 2

The bidding:

Burnstone	Schenken	You	Jacoby
1♡	Dbl.	(?)	

What do you bid? (Answer To-morrow.)

INCREASE IN TEA QUOTA

The International Tea Committee in London, it was announced yesterday, has decided to increase the quota by 2½ per cent for the current control year ending March 31, 1941.—Reuter.

LOCAL SHARES

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H.K. Realties $3.35 b.
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Yaumati Ferries $22¼ b., $23¾ s.
H.K. Electrics (Old) $36¾ b.
H.K. Electrics (New) $36½ b.
Telephones (Old) $23¼ b.
Telephones (New) $9.55 b.
INDUSTRIALS
Cements $16.10 b.
STORES, &C.
Dairy Farms $17¼ b.
Watsons $8.95 b., $9 sa.
MISCELLANEOUS
Vibro Piling $8 s.

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260 Hotels @ $3.15
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2,000 Providents @ $4.55
200 Providents @ $4.60
325 Lands @ $30¼
200 Watsons @ $9

CANADIAN LET OFF WITH FINE

A Canadian, Harry Howard Wells, 23, residing at No. 512, The Peak, was fined $100 by Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., at the Central Magistracy this morning for driving in Lockhart Road when under the influence of drink, and without a driver's licence on October 16.

Mr. J. M. Remedios, who pleaded guilty on behalf of defendant, said that defendant is to leave the Colony on the first ship bound for Canada, where he will join the army.

ANTICYCLONE SPREADING SOUTH

The Royal Observatory reports that the anti-cyclone over China has increased considerably in intensity and spread southward to Indo-China; pressure is highest over Yangtse Valley.

The depression, now of considerable depth, is moving north-eastward across Hokkaido.

CLEARING UP DEBRIS IN LONDON

Civilian labour rather than military will be used for clearance and demolition in London following air raids.

The Home Secretary, Mr. Herbert Morrison, made this clear replying to a Commons question yesterday.

"I am most grateful to the military authorities for the timely assistance they have been able to afford in meeting the urgent problem of dealing with air raid damage in the London region.

The aim of the Department is to mobilise a sufficient body of civilian labour to keep pace with any damage that may be caused but in order to deal with arrears accumulated meantime, such assistance as can be afforded by the Auxiliary Military Pioneer Corps is most welcome.

"I shall be glad to take full advantage of such a system as the Army authorities are in a position to render without prejudice to the primary role of the Army."

Mr. Morrison added: "We are acting on the principle that in so far as civilian labour is available that will be used but if that proves insufficient we will not hesitate to ask the military authorities to help us."—British Wireless.

POWER RESOURCES IN ST. LAWRENCE

The appointment of a temporary four-man commission to work with a United States committee on the early development of the power resources of the International Rapids section of the St. Lawrence was made in Ottawa yesterday by the office of the Canadian Prime Minister. — Reuter.

Good News Or Bad?

Good news will seem even better, bad news not so bad, if you are able to face the world with a smile. But it isn't easy to be cheerful if you are liverish, bilious and generally out-of-sorts.

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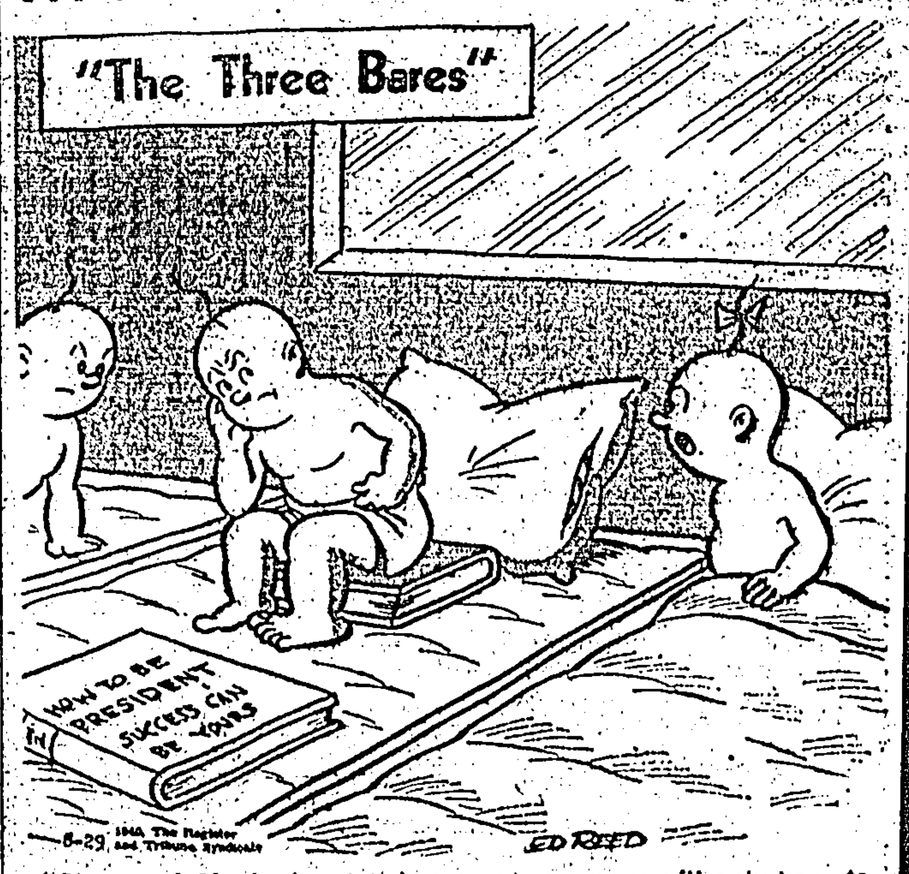

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ATTEMPTS TO BREAK BLOCKADE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

DESPITE THE MILITARY OPERATIONS IN CHEKIANG PROVINCE THE SHANGHAI CHINESE NEWS AGENCY, SHIN SHENG, TO-DAY EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT THIRD-PARTY STEAMERS MAY YET BE ABLE TO SEND GOODS TO CHEKIANG THROUGH THE RIVERPORT GATEWAY TO WENCHOW.

Shipping between Shanghai and Chek'ang province has long been suspended as a result of the blockade, and foreign-owned steamers have often tried to sail to the Chekiang coast but have been turned back.

The Shanghai Customs office is now willing to grant papers to ships destined for Kuautao, whence goods may be transported to Wenchow by smaller boats. It is understood that Wenchow itself, Haimen and Sungmen are still closed to shipping.—Havas.

TRAINING CADRE

The Military Authorities announce that those members of the H.K.V.D.C. Training Company and Training Cadre who have not fired either their Rifle or Lewis Gun course will parade at Kowloon A Range to-morrow at 2.00 p.m.

Cholera cases in the Colony were confined to Victoria yesterday when three cases were notified, in addition to 23 cases of tuberculosis, 11 of typhoid, three of dysentery, and one each of diphtheria and chicken-pox.

NEW SHIPS BOUGHT BY U.S. NAVY

Maritime circles report the United States Navy has purchased three new cargo vessels to augment its growing fleet of freight carriers, hospital and troops ships and other auxiliaries.

Officials of the Moore-McCormack Lines, Inc., confirmed reports that the Navy had negotiated for three of its ships, but withheld details. The three vessels were reported to be the Donald McKay, the Mormacyork and the Mormachawk.

At the same time, Great Britain was reported seeking American freighters, preferably those of around 8,000 dead-weight tons, to offset its shipping losses at the hands of the Germans.

ROOSEVELT TO RESIGN?

Norman Thomas, the American Socialist Party candidate for the Presidency, says there is a "growing feeling that Roosevelt, if re-elected, will resign soon after he takes the oath of office and make Henry Wallace President."

"If this impression gets around that the President is going to resign—in order to break another national precedent—it will defeat Roosevelt," Mr. Thomas told an interviewer.

Owing to the A.R.P. Blackout Exercises on the evening of October 30, the function to be held at Heep Yunn School will be at 3 p.m. instead of 5-15 p.m. as previously announced.

ARMY CRICKET.

MURPHY & MARTIN BOWL WELL

Fine bowling by Murphy and Martin was the feature of the friendly cricket match at Sookunpoo yesterday between Royal Army Service Corps and Royal Corps of Signals. The former won by 17 runs.

Scoring generally was on the low side, James's 24 for R.A.S.C. being the highest individual score of the match.

R.A.S.C.

Cpl. Young, l.b.w., b Murphy	5
L/Cpl. Logan, run out	16
Sgt. Hamlon, st. Lithauer, b Murphy	2
Cpl. Martin, b Murphy	4
Capt. Lawrence, b Dixon	0
Cpl. Glenn, b Murphy	0
Sgt. Benford, c Bedford, b Brackenberry	14
L/Sgt. James, not out	24
Sgt. Chalcraft, b Dixon	0
Dvr. Walker, b Dixon	2
Dvr. Brown, st. Lithauer, b Murphy	17
Extras (W7)	7
Total	91

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Dixon	9	1	33	3
Murphy	5.2	0	31	5
Brackenberry	3	0	20	1

SIGNALS

Sgt. Bedford, b Young	7
Sig. Lithauer, b Martin	12
L/Cpl. Murphy, run out	15
Cpl. Copsey, c Brown, b Martin	2
L/Cpl. Pitcher, b Martin	7
Sig. Dixon, b Martin	18
Sgt. Brackenberry, l.b.w., b Young	1
Sig. Lees, st. Hamlon, b Martin	5
Sig. Sharland, b Martin	1
L/Cpl. Love, run out	0
Sig. Cotton, run out	0
Extras (W4, B1, LB1)	6
Total	74

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Young	8	0	34	2
Martin	7.4	0	32	6
Jones	1	0	2	0

ORDNANCE WIN.

Royal Army Ordnance Corps beat Diocesan Boys' school by 56 runs in a friendly cricket game yesterday.

Ordnance:—131 (Pinder 31, Stonor 48; Macauley 5 for 55, Hulse 2 for 21).

D.B.S:—75 (Jernakoff 29, Hulse 19; Emberson 4 for 24, Boocock 2 for 15.)

MINIATURE FOOTBALL LEAGUE

The Children's Playgrounds Association Committee have decided to hold a Kowloon Inter-School Small Boys' Miniature Football League with the objects of stimulating interest in this game and to improve its general technique.

Players must not be over 4ft. 10in. in height or over 16 years of ages.

All laws of soccer with few exceptions will apply. A trophy will be awarded to the championship team at the end of each season; said trophy to be retained by the team winning it three years in succession. Prizes will also be awarded to the first two teams.

GOLF STARTING TIMES

Following are Royal Hong Kong Golf Club Starting Times for Fanling:—

SUNDAY

Old Course

9.20 a.m.	O. E. C. Marton, A. J. Dennis.
9.25 ..	F. D. Hunter, S. Jex.
9.30 ..	E. J. R. Mitchell, A. W. Ramsay.
9.35 ..	L. R. Andrewes, C. H. T. Suen.
9.40 ..	D. Humphreys, W. Williamson.
9.45 ..	R. K. Collings, W. C. Simpson.
9.50 ..	J. L. C. Pearce, T. B. Low.
9.55 ..	F. Groves, W. V. Ahern.
10.00 ..	G. E. Costello, B. D. Evans.
10.04 ..	J. C. C. Matthews, R. C. Gairdner.
10.08 ..	R. Young, S. L. Lloyd.
10.12 ..	I. H. Geare, A. W. Bourne.
10.16 ..	J. G. Jensen, P. V. McLane.
10.20 ..	A. N. and Q. A. A. Macfadyen.
10.24 ..	E. T. McMullen, W. Hewitt.
10.28 ..	R. G. Parker, Capt. Thursby.
10.32 ..	Major Hogg, M. L. Reidy.
10.36 ..	W. L. Alexander, J. Harrop.
10.40 ..	Lieut. Carter, G. T. Harrington.
10.44 ..	T. W. Chattey, D. B. vans.
10.48 ..	Col. MacPherson, Capt. Tomlinson.

New Course

9.20 a.m.	D. S. Edward, A. L. Eastman.
9.25 ..	L. Goldman, T. Y. C. Lee.
9.30 ..	C. M. Stark, F. E. D'Almada Remedios.
9.35 ..	T. A. Pearce, E. F. Fincher.
9.40 ..	F. A. Redmond, E. J. M. Churn.
9.45 ..	Col. Rose, R. G. McKenzie.
9.50 ..	S. Tomlinson, W. Kershaw.
9.52 ..	J. Linaker, J. J. von Muhlen.
9.56 ..	Comdr. Hole, T. Megarry.
10.00 ..	T. G. C. Knight, A. M. Kennedy.
10.04 ..	F. Buckle, W. F. Kerr.
11.16 ..	R. Parkin, C. S. Clarke.
11.20 ..	Capt. Fraser, Capt. Lynch.

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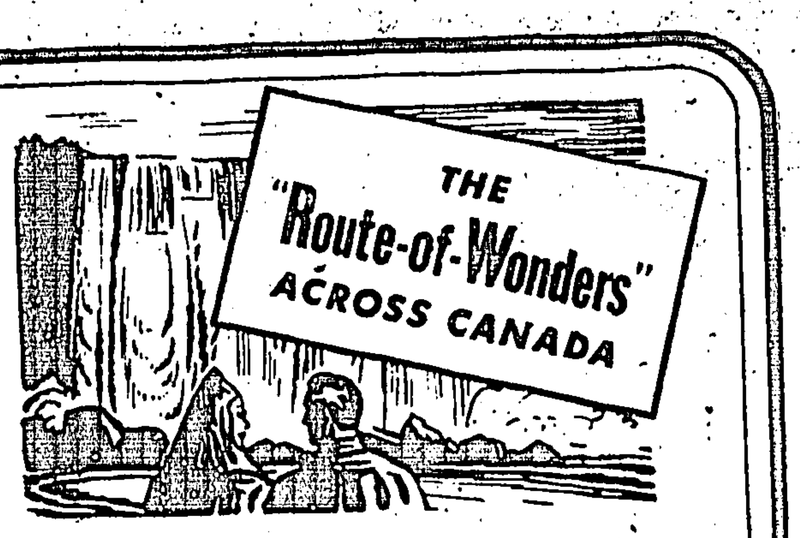

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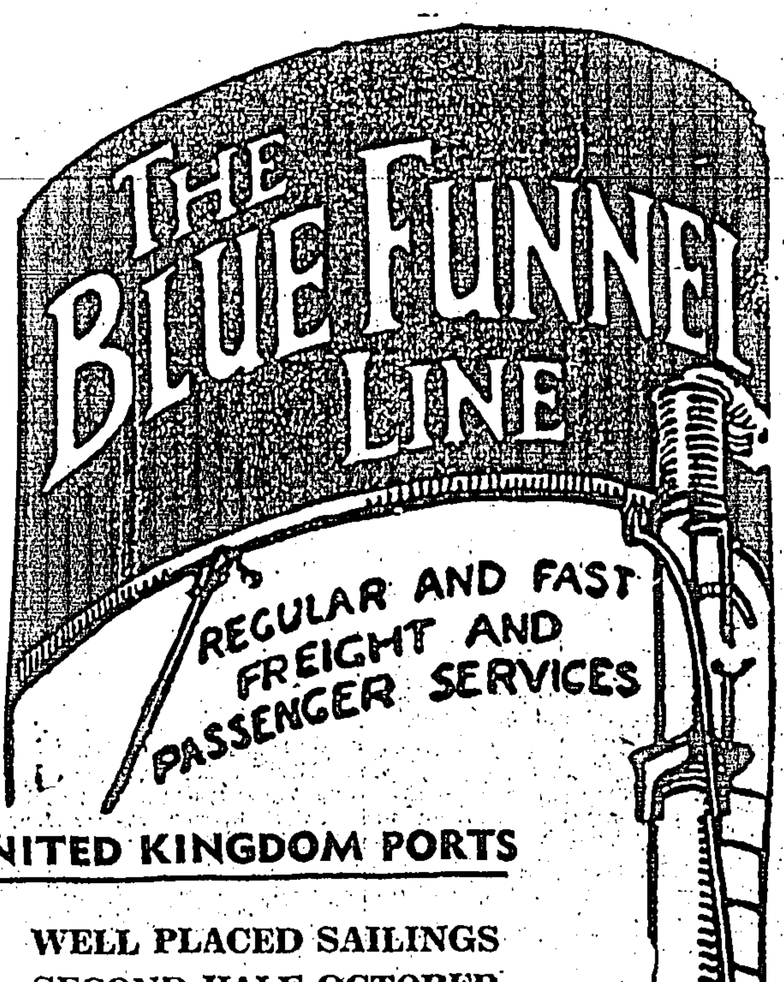

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7.15 p.m.—London Relay—Topical Talks.
7.30 p.m.—Tunes of Not-So-Long-Ago.
8.03 p.m.—Orchestral Selections.
8.15 p.m.—Studio—Recital by Y. K. Sze (Bass) with E. O'Neil Shaw at the Piano.
1. (a) "Infelice! e tuo credevi" from "Ernani" (Verdi); (b) "King Henry's Prayer" from "Lohengrin" (Wagner)....Y. K. Sze (Bass) with piano accompaniment.
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3. (a) "Proud and Peerless" from "Guselda" (Buononcini); (b) "Caro mio ben" (Giordani); (c) "Calm as the Night" (Bohm).

8.40 p.m.—Albeniz—Suite Iberia. Madrid Symphony Orchestra cond. by Enrique Fernandez Arbos.
9.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News & News Commentaries.
9.30 p.m.—London Relay—Talk: "Books and People".
9.45 p.m.—Short Recital by Beniamino Gigli (Tenor) and Pau Casals ('Cello).
Eres Tu (Sandoval); If I Could Forget Your Eyes (Albeniz)....Beniamino Gigli (Tenor) with Orch.
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Moment Musical (Schubert); Le Cygne (Saint-Saens)....Pau Casals ('Cello) with Piano.
10.10 p.m.—Berlioz—Symphonie Fantastique, Op. 14.
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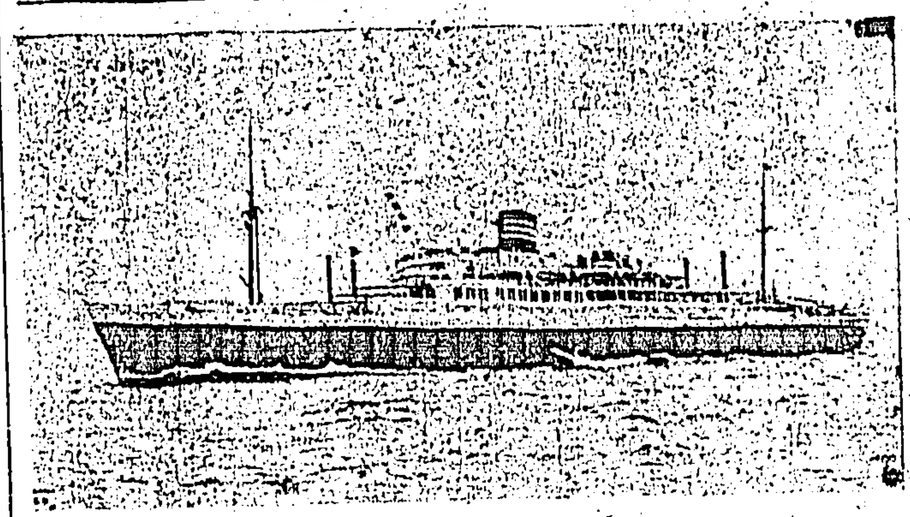

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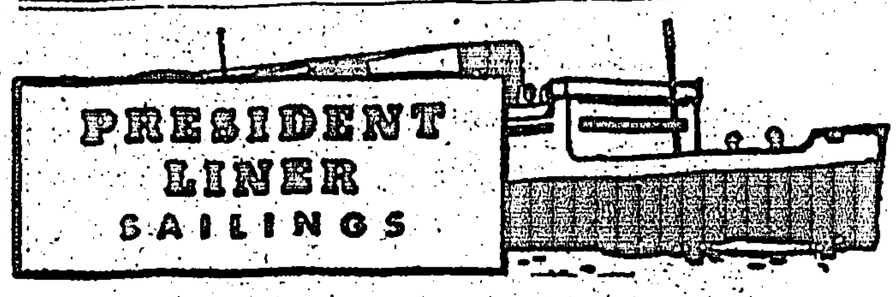

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The Preliminary International Matches Most Disappointing

Standard Of Bowling Generally Poor

MALAYA'S LATE EFFORT AGAINST IRELAND

By "Skip"

THE GOODLY NUMBER OF SPECTATORS WHO TURNED UP TO SEE THE PRELIMINARY ROUND OF THE GUTIERREZ INTERNATIONAL CUP LAST SUNDAY, MUST HAVE BEEN DISAPPOINTED AT THE FARE PROVIDED.

The standard of bowling was for the most part not high although many good shots were played — two notable ones coming from Raoul Luz towards the finish of the game between Portugal and India which the latter won.

With the score 16/12 against Portugal at the last head, Joe Luz lay a couple when the younger Rumjahn drew the first shot some few inches short of the jack. Luz came up on the backhand with some running on, to face this out and lay two again, then, with his second wood, he added another shot amid applause. And this was renewed when U.M. Omar drew the very first shot with his first wood and carefully discarded the other one.

Joe Luz has played better and A. H. Rumjahn had the edge on him as lead, but Raoul Luz balanced matters by beating the young Rumjahn, who was off throughout. Both K. M. and U. M. Omar were better than their opposites, Chico Ribeiro inclining to be on the short side at vital times and C. G. Silva, who was prone to drive too often I thought, failing to connect with his usual regularity.

China Crushed

The Philippines and China match was simply a walkover for the former after the first seven heads, when the scores were equal. After that the Philippines added no less than 22 shots to China's singleton. The victory by nearly 20 shots, I may add, was not due so much to the good play of the winners as to the ineptitude of China's four, who were sadly disappointing.

The standard of play was possibly a little higher in the game between Ireland and Malaya, but even here it was nothing to write home about and many of the heads had a slight indication of Epping Forest about them, the timber was so scattered!

Chris Dowman, on his home green, did quite well as lead for Ireland, while I thought Bakar, who played three instead of number two as originally announced, was as good as any of the Malayan four. Ireland always had the lead on Malaya but the latter had just a possibility of winning when they pulled up to within three of the Irish score at the penultimate end. With the enemy lying at this last head, Abbas made a desperate effort to kill the head but only succeeded in removing his second shot, which gave Ireland a flattering three and a win by half a dozen shots.

GOVT. HOUSE LAWN BOWLS

His Excellency Lieutenant-Gen. E. F. Norton, C.B., D.S.O., M.C., entertained the following, who represented the Bowlsters and Kowloon Bowling Green Cub, at a bowls game held at Government House, at 3.30 p.m. on Wednesday.

The following participated:—

Bowlsters:—W. Walker, N. L. Smith, Dr. Newton, J. Deakin 15; J. A. Fraser, Sir A. MacGregor, J. Smith, S. H. Dodwell 22; W. A. Cornell, F. Flippance, E. Searle, H. H. Pegg 15.

Kowloon Bowling Green Club:—A. Morton, E. A. Atkins, J. S. Dinnen, A. J. Hall 20; R. Phillips, S. C. Walker, E. Lovett, R. Duncan 9; H. C. Sprong, G. Elphick, J. E. Henson, H. Lockhart 21.

"CHINA MAIL" CUP MATCHES FOR WEEK-END

The following is the week-end programme of matches in the "China Mail" Cup competition.

TO-MORROW

At Kowloon Football Club, 3.30 p.m.
3rd Battery v. No. 2 Coy. "E"
At Kowloon Cricket Club, 3.30 p.m.
Pay Section v. Field Engr. "B"

SUNDAY

At C.S.C.C., 10.00 a.m.
5th Battery v. Stanley "A"

This match will not be played unless both England and Scotland lose their International games on Saturday.

At Kowloon B.G.C., 10.00 a.m.
No. 3 Coy. "B" v. 1st Battery "A"
At Kowloon Cricket Club, 10.00 a.m.
5th Battery "B" v. 1st Battery "B"

"CHINA MAIL" CUP

UNEXPECTED RESULTS AND CLOSE FINISHES

By "Skip"

SEVEN MORE MATCHES IN THE "CHINA MAIL" CHALLENGE CUP COMPETITION WERE PLAYED OVER THE WEEK-END AND THERE WERE SOME UNEXPECTED RESULTS AS WELL AS A FEW EXCEPTIONALLY CLOSE FINISHES.

The match between Field Ambulance "B" and Second Battery comes under both categories. The latter team, as I have previously commented, looked pretty strong and I expected it to reach the next round at least. But the Medicals, for whom Bob Leigh played well as third man, caught the Gunners a little off their game, especially Tommy Carr who could do nothing right apart from an odd wick or two.

The winning skip secured what will undoubtedly be the best shot of the whole competition when he won the game for his side with his last wood.

His team, after a close game, fell into arrears of five shots with three heads to go—a quite intriguing position. Then good bowling brought them a couple of threes and a lead of one when the last head began. Second Battery seemed assured of victory when they lay two good shots, one of them being in the ditch and less than a foot away from the kitty which had, of course, been trailed. But Steven pulled out a perfect shot which rested right at the edge of the green and almost caressed the jack, to literally snatch a victory.

First Battery Successes

Both First Battery teams won and here again close results were returned, the "A" team, captained by the O.C., getting home by 3 shots and the "B" four winning by a singleton. In both cases they came up well after trailing, "A" being 14/7 down at one stage of the game and "B" even worse off. The arrival of the Second-in-Command seemed to act as an inspiration to the O.C.'s rink which set about its task well and, recording a four, the biggest count in a low-scoring game, at 19th, they took the lead for the first time.

Jack Carr of the Civil Service Club, played a very useful game as second man but his woods were usually bumped off the jack by one or other of his opponents, of whom Bovaird, as skip, was the most deadly.

He was drawing very well to begin with but when pound-on shots were called for later, he was equally good.

Bickford, the Battery's third man, was chiefly responsible for his side's win though Capt. Jack Watson played some good woods.

First Battery's "B" team, composed largely of "unknowns," created one of the biggest upsets to date when they eliminated another Scottish team in charge of John Revie, the Kowloon Dock lead, which looked quite useful.

Lapsley Brilliant

Young Bob Lapsley was brilliant as lead for this rink whilst footballer Williamson showed a distinct aptitude for the game, as second man to Revie; neither McMaster nor the Scottish skip were consistent enough, however. I have said that the Battery team contained some unknowns but it was probably this factor which encouraged the opposition to take things too easily: that factor and the unbounded enthusiasm of the Gunners, especially Stone, who enjoyed every moment of the game. It was, I hear, his first effort at bowls and he, like his opposite number, showed great promise.

With the scores tied at 23, the Scottish four lay a nice couple when Jack came up with a little running, glanced off a side wood—which is a polite way of saying he wicked in—and lay on the kitty, Revie failing rather badly to save.

Two teams from Stanley were engaged at Kowloon Bowling Green Club but only the "A" four skipped by Bagley, emerged victorious, Jillott's rink collapsing in the last seven ends to Field Engineers "A", to lose by nearly a dozen. Sykes proved very useful as lead to the winners, whilst Capt. Bottomley, who came in as a substitute in the team's first game, showed a decided improvement and was often dangerous. He had the great asset, unusual in a learner, of never being short. The losers included a five and a three in their score of 12, and scored on only 6 of the ends, so it can be said they deserved to go down in spite of some good play by McCutcheon and Jillott.

Walter Bagley's four commenced with a five against Tom Stainton and never lost the lead, though the Scottish four pulled up well midway through, only to concede eight in the last three ends and lose by a dozen shots, which rather flattered the winners, I am told.

Sappers Start Well

Field Engineers "C" from Kowloon Dock began like the proverbial house on fire against Field Ambulance "A," chalking up 15 to their opponents' singleton in their first half dozen ends, to make victory a moral certainty. The Medicals struggled on gamely but could make little headway against an enemy which took few risks after securing its winning lead. Alec Calman and Tony Noronha had a good struggle as leads with the former having a slight edge.

After an even start, the score being 6/5 in their favour after 6 heads, the A.S.C. Coy. "delivered the goods" in bulk against Scottish Coy's "C" team skipped by Capt. Brown, of the Hong Kong Cricket Club. A six, followed by a couple of threes and a four sealed the fate of the Infantrymen, who suffered the biggest defeat of the day. For the winners Fred Cullen and Willie Hyde, the two front men, really won the game as they outbowled Curtis and Morrison. John Gill as three was the best player on the losing side but his task was an unenviable one—the head was always against him when he bowled.

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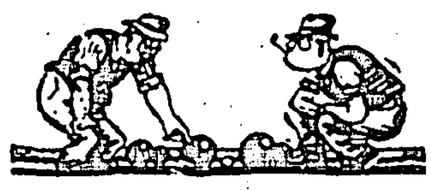
Hon. Secretaries of Hockey Clubs are reminded that entries for the Hong Kong Hockey Association Tournament close tomorrow and should be sent to Mr. D. T. Smith, c/o the Harbour Office as soon as possible.



"SKIP" SAYS—

UNFINISHED GAMES SHOULD BE REPLAYED

I have commented in the past on the necessity for having a set of rules for the running of our League, as distinct from the I.B.B. rules which cover only the question of the actual playing of the game of lawn bowls.

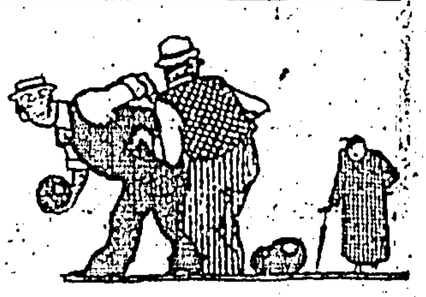
A perfect example of the need for these rules was provided on Saturday last when the Civil Servants went over to Kowloon Dock to continue an unfinished game which had been interrupted by rain some weeks ago.

It has been the custom to carry on from the old score as is done for singles games, the skips who were drawn together in the first game, continuing their battle. And here is where the difficulty arises—for in the game on which I am hinging my remarks, only one of the original skips was playing.

Elaboration of the subject is not called for but I give my remedy again, that is that all unfinished games be cancelled and re-commenced as an entirely new game.

No hardship would be entailed and the rule would be the same for every team.

On Saturday the Civil Servants turned up one man short and, as they were in arrears in the original game, they conceded the points to Kowloon Dock and played a friendly game instead.



ABBAS'S GREAT RALLY

Close finishes featured the semi-final games in the Open Singles Lawn Bowls Championship yesterday at the Kowloon Bowling Green Club; M. R. Abbas of Indian Recreation Club beat U. M. Omar, holder, by 21-20 on the 27th head and M. N. Rakusen beat F. J. Jones by 21-18 on the 22nd head.

Omar started off well and at the 10th head was leading Abbas by 14 shots to 2 and at the 15th had increased this lead to 18—16. At this stage the odds against Abbas winning were very great but the Sookunpoo player staged a rally as great as that of Omar's in the final last year against Dallah.

At the 24th head he was being led by only 19—18 and the game had taken on a different complexion. Abbas was now playing confidently, while Omar was not so brilliant as at the start.

At the 27th head Abbas was lying three, Omar took a wood out and the impression both players had was that Abbas was only lying one. It was a surprise to both when Abbas was told that he had two and had won the game!

Head	U. M. Omar Shots	U. M. Omar Total	M. R. Abbas Shots	M. R. Abbas Total
1	1	1	0	1
2	1	2	0	0
3	0	2	1	1
4	4	6	0	1
5	0	6	1	3
6	1	7	0	2
7	1	8	0	2
8	2	10	0	2
9	1	11	0	2
10	3	14	0	2
11	0	14	1	3
12	0	14	2	5
13	0	14	1	6
14	1	15	0	6
15	3	18	0	6
16	0	18	1	7
17	0	18	1	8
18	0	18	2	10
19	0	18	1	11
20	0	18	2	13
21	1	19	0	13
22	0	19	1	14
23	0	19	3	17
24	0	19	1	18
25	1	20	0	18
26	0	20	1	19
27	0	20	2	21

"Possible" Starts Rakusen Recovery

Jones was leading Rakusen 11-7 at the 12th head but the latter scored a possible at the next and added further points at the next four heads to lead by 17-11.

A four at the 20th, following by a two at the next brought the scores to 19-18 in favour of Rakusen, who scored the required two at the next head.

Head	M. N. Rakusen Shots	M. N. Rakusen Total	F. J. Jones Shots	F. J. Jones Total
1	1	1	0	0
2	0	1	1	1
3	0	1	3	4
4	0	1	1	5
5	2	3	0	5
6	1	4	0	5
7	0	4	1	6
8	0	4	2	8
9	2	6	0	8
10	0	6	1	9
11	1	7	0	9
12	0	7	2	11
13	4	11	0	11
14	1	12	0	11
15	1	13	0	11
16	2	15	0	11
17	2	17	0	11
18	0	17	1	12
19	2	19	0	12
20	0	19	4	16
21	0	19	2	18
22	2	21	0	18

SOCCER REVIEW

THE ERSTWHILE PESSIMISTS PROVIDE ALL THE SURPRISES

Kowloon F.C. Start Badly But Now Going Great Guns

Splendid Form Of Lee Wai-Tong

By "Referee"

NOW THAT THE LOCAL FOOTBALL SEASON HAS BEEN IN PROGRESS FOR JUST OVER A MONTH, IT IS POSSIBLE TO APPRAISE THE STRENGTH OF THE VARIOUS TEAMS PARTICIPATING IN THE FOOTBALL LEAGUE, WHICH UP TO NOW HAS HAD LITTLE INTERRUPTION THROUGH MILITARY OR OTHER CAUSES.

Several clubs started the present season very gloomily and could not gaze into the future with much confidence but strangely enough these are the very clubs which so far are providing all the surprises to date.

Kowloon were badly beaten in their first game, by South China, but have since earned the enviable distinction of having upset several good teams. Their victory against much fancied Kwong Wah can be regarded as a creditable accomplishment while they also did well to snatch a point from both Middlesex and Eastern.

In the latter match they were unfortunate in not securing a win as they were leading until near the end

Best Pivot

Williamson, undoubtedly the best pivot in the Colony at present, has been the mainstay of the defence and all forwards find him a great obstacle. Kowloon have now gathered together a very useful and well-balanced team which should cause many more upsets.

Injuries, transfers and departures hit St. Joseph's badly before the season commenced and after being beaten by Club, in their first game, they have gone about team-building in a very earnest manner. The result is that today, Saints have a team that can give the best a run for their money. Leonard, Bowen and Hussain have been placed in the defence to strengthen it, while several Chinese schoolboys, whose only football hitherto has been in the small ball league, have come on exceedingly well.

The forward line is a tricky one and do well up to the penalty area but they do not take full advantage when in shooting distance.

Gomes, MacDonald and C. Santos are all good midfield players and an improvement in their shooting will carry St. Joseph's very high in the League Table.

South China had only Lee Wai-tong and Tam Kwan-kon of last year's champion team a week before the first game, but with the return of a number of their old players they now form the greatest threat to Sing Tao for honours. The two teams meet this week-end at Caroline Hill.

South China's intermediate line is not particularly strong, though the inclusion of Lau Hing-choy has remedied it somewhat.

Lee Shooting Well

Those who have seen Lee Wai-tong play this season will agree that he is showing better form than for many seasons past. His shooting is still good but he does not expect the same passes from his present colleagues as when Fung and Lai were with him, and as a result he does more work. Chan Tak-fai is another South China forward who needs watching.

Return of Hau Ching-to, Chan Kam-hoi, Cheung Yung-sum and the inclusion of several Shanghai players has placed Eastern in a

strong position although they were rudely shocked by Kowloon last week.

Eastern were forced to give Sing Tao a "walk over" in the first game as they were then unable to raise a team but in the next game gave indications of being a leading team in First Division.

The ready-made Sing Tao team is still undefeated and fancied in some quarters to be a good tip for the championship. They have a well-balanced and experienced team, and as long as they are fortunate as regards injuries they should do well. It is interesting to note that most of their players have been playing for some years and may be giving up soccer soon, while there are no outstanding players in the Junior team.

The much touted Kwong Wah team has done nothing of note to date and unless they show an improvement then are likely to be very low in the league. Apparently the blending of Chinese and Portuguese players has not produced the desired results and they have secured only one point in the four games so far played.

A. V. Gosano has not turned out for them in the last two games while Yeung Tse-chong, their pivot, is on the injured list and playing with the juniors.

Inconsistency

The three Service teams, Middlesex, Royal Scots and Navy have not produced consistent form this season. Middlesex did well to beat Navy and though they had their share of the game against Eastern and South China they were badly beaten. Sheehan has played in several positions, starting in the intermediate line; he is now leading the attack. Freshwater is playing very well as full-back and effectively stopped Lee Wai-tong on numerous occasions last week.

One can never be certain what the Royal Scots will do. They did well to beat South China in the first game, lapsed badly against Eastern and St. Joseph's and came back strongly on Sunday to beat Kwong Wah.

Royals have a good defence and when their forwards are on form are able to upset the best.

Navy are handicapped by not being able to field the same team each week. With the best team available they have a good side as O'Rogan, Hendy, Roughley and Honeywell are all players of no mean class.

Club obtained two points in their first game against St. Joseph's but have not done well thereafter as they find it hard to field a good team regularly owing to military and other duties. Club have in the past upset good teams and should be able to collect more points before the end of the season.

Police secured their first point last week against St. Joseph's and have lost the majority of their games through their own fault and in the closing stages of the games. They have the same team as last year. In fact they are occasionally strengthened by Popenright, half, but their forwards seldom seem able to finish their movements.

Sappers' Fine Team

Royal Engineers seem set for Second Division honours. They have a team which would do well in the Senior League. Their best feat was when they beat Sing Tao, who had several First Division players in the side including Soong Ling-sing, Fung Kwan-shing, and Ip Pak-wah.

Royal Scots and Service Corps are their greatest challengers.

The Third Division title seems to lie between Royal Air Force and International though 24th A.A. and 36th R.A. are showing improved form.

BOWLING ALLEY JOTTINGS

By "STRIKE"

THE fourth leg of the 20-game Challenge match between Doc Molthen partnered by Ernie Hearther and Corp. Blount partnered by Corp. Watts was played off on October 17, and resulted in a "headache" for the former who only just scraped home by 21 pins.

This was an extraordinary close call because, the erentual winners were 196 pins in the lead on the first three legs. The individual scores in the last leg were as follows:—

Corp. Blount	958	Ernie Hearther	880
Corp. Watts	872	Doc Molthen	775
	1830		1655

There was no doubt of the superiority of Blount and Watts in this match over their opponents. Blount was easily top scorer with a brilliant 958, or 191.3 pins per game, this being also the second highest score for the 20 games played, Hearther being top scorer with 968 made on the third leg.

Incidentally, Blount secured the only 200's, during the fourth leg when he bagged a 209 on his second game and 201 on his fifth game.

His partner (Watts) materially assisted Blount with a good 872 pins or an average of 174.2 pins per game, but he would undoubtedly have done much better had he not failed on his fourth game to make a mediocre 149. Had he made on his fourth game the average of his first, second, third and fifth games, which was 181, they would have won the match.

Neither Hearther nor Molthen shone so well as in their former encounters, although Ernie made a useful 880 or an average of 176 pins per game and Molthen put up a lowly 775 or an average of 155 pins per game, which almost lost them the match. It is rather interesting to note the scores for the 20 games of the challenge match by the four players in the order of scores:—

Blount:—	189, 186, 136, 148, 166, 198, 159, 163, 212, 169, 175, 162, 170, 212, 210, 186, 209, 196, 166, and 201. Total—3013.
Hearther:—	212, 152, 157, 165, 190, 181, 186, 167, 164, 179, 208, 195, 202, 165, 192, 151, 178, 173, 187 and 191. Total—3601.
Molthen:—	168, 173, 158, 182, 149, 207, 172, 137, 188, 212, 174, 197, 163, 190, 180, 157, 157, 150, 156 and 155. Total—3425.
Watts:—	201, 182, 172, 174, 120, 163, 165, 138, 178, 148, 168, 194, 187, 193, 137, 176, 176, 177, 149 and 194. Total—3392.

The aggregate scores for the 20 games for Hearther and Molthen was 7026 and for Blount and Watts 7005, thus they were down only 21 pins on the 20 games played. It certainly was about the closest finish I have ever seen in any Indoor Bowling Alleys, either English, or American bowling. The averages for all four players are worthy of note and were as follows:—Blount 180.65 pins per game, Hearther 180.6 pins per game, Molthen 171.25 pins per game, and Watts 169.6 pins per game. Throughout the 20 games there were no fewer than 11 scores of over 200 registered, Blount bagging five of them—212, 212, 210, 209, and 201. Hearther netted three—212, 202, 208—and Molthen two, a 207 and 212, while Watts had one, 201.

Ewo Indoor Bowling League

The management of the Hong Kong Bowling Alley's, in conjunction with the representatives, in Hong Kong, of the Ewo Brewery Company of Shanghai, have decided to commence another tourney for the Ewo Indoor Bowling League Cup at Ten Pins. This Cup was very kindly presented by the Ewo Brewery Co., and will be on display in the Alley throughout the competition. There are eight teams entered and it is hoped that a match can be played off this week-end, failing which, there will certainly be one or two matches played the following week. Entries have been received from the following teams:—

"Marcel Boys". A team mainly composed of our friends from the Royal Naval Hospital, that is Lewis, Hewitt, Nunn and Neale.

Argonauts. This team is the old original one with the exception of the inclusion of C.P.O. Woods of the U.S.S. Asheville fame, the team being Ismail, Birkett, C.P.O. Wood and Hall.

Asheville Ships Team. Is composed of our old friends from the Asheville, Harvey Balaski, Harman and Fleming.

Termites. Is mainly from Jardine, Matheson and Company, Parsons, Gaubert, Stone and Darby.

The Buglers. Composed of Wathen, McLaren, Neate and Wilkins from the Royal Corps of Signals.

Wash-Outs. This team is composed of the Odell Brothers, Talan and C.P.O. Summers of Asheville.

Dare Devils. Are our old friends, Blount, Watts, Landolt and Gaddi.

The Hijackers. Are two of the old Champs team, Hearther and Molthen with two newcomers to match play in these Alleys, Waller and Williams.

The Draw

The draw for the first round is as follows:—

Hijackers v. Termites.
Asheville Ship. Team v. Dare Devils.
Buglers v. Argonauts.
Wash Outs v. Marcel Boys.

The conditions with regard to the closing dates for each round and the final are as follows:—First round to be completed by November 7; Second round to be completed by November 14; Final to be completed by November 21.

To facilitate the smooth running of this Tourney, the Teams are specially requested to get in touch with the Manager of the Hong Kong Bowling Alleys giving him the date most suitable to them.

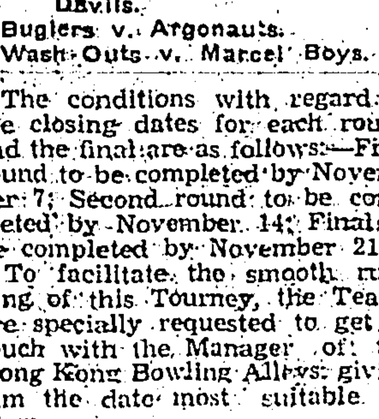
Up to the time of writing these jottings the highest scores for the month on the monthly record boards are as follows:—

TEN PINS

Ladies:—Mrs. Lambert 131
Men:—L. C. Garrett 232

DUCK PINS

Ladies:—Mrs. E. Soong 134
Men:—H. Blount 138



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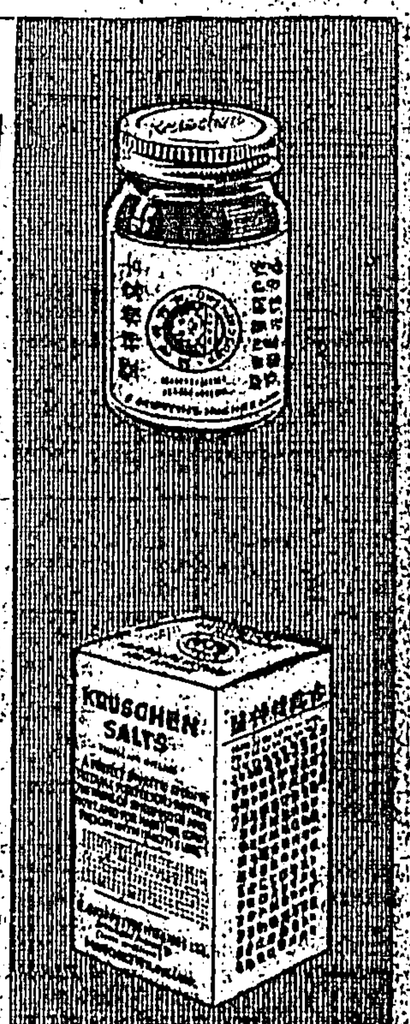

KRUSCHEN SALTS

ARMY SPORTLIGHT

By "Squaddy"

AT the Annual General meeting of the Area Rowing committee held on Tuesday the following dates were suggested for the Area Rowing regatta. If sufficient entries were forthcoming the heats would be held on Tuesday November 12th, and the finals on November 13; if not, only one day would be necessary, the latter date.

Rowing

There are about 12 teams entered so far for this event and are made up from the following units.

12th Hvy. Regt., R.A., 5th A.A. Regt., R.A., 1st Bn. The Middlesex Regiment, Carrier Platoon of the Royal Scots, Royal Engineers, and the Royal Army Service Corps. The regatta will take place at Stonecutters starting at 2.30 each day. The Sappers are hot favourites for this regatta and are after retaining the "Ah King" Cup once again this year. The Carrier Platoon of the Scots have got together their own gig, and are entering the regatta on their own accord, which I think is a grand effort on the part of the Platoon Commander, Lieut. G. D. Dunlop, M.C.

12 Coy., R.A.S.C. are entering teams in for the "Brown" Cup. The "Ah King" Cup, and the "Chaplain" Cup.

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THE last game to be played in the first round of the Small Units football knockout competition was concluded between the 12th Hvy. Bty. R.A. and "B" Coy. of the Middies; which resulted in a win for the former by 3 goals to 1. The second round of this competition is to be played off before November 11, and the following is the revised draw for the Second Round:—40 (F) Coy R.E. v HQ Coy 1/Mx.; 36th Hvy Bty R.A. v 20th Hvy Bty R.A.; 12th Hvy Bty R.A. v HQ Coy 2/R. Scots; A Coy 2/Scots v 22 (F) Coy R.E.; A Coy 1/Mx. v D Coy 2/R. Scots; R.A.F. v B Coy 2/R. Scots; C Coy 2/R. Scots v 12 Coy R.A.S.C.; and 6 Section R.A.O.C. v 24th Hvy Bty R.A.

Small Units Football

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THIS week the Royal Scots are playing the Navy at Causeway Bay, kick off 4.30 p.m. This should be worth watching especially as the Navy this season are playing excellent football and the Scots, who defeated the Kwong Wah football Club last week by 5 goals to 2, will want watching. They have a sound defence in Fraser and Naysmith, not to mention Duncan in goal. The Middlesex are playing St. Joseph's at Sookunpoo and would not have much trouble in taking both points if they changed their forward-line a little.

Association Football

The Engineers played the Signals in a scruff match at Happy Valley on Wednesday which resulted in a draw of two goals each. Shepperd and Clare scored for the Signals, and Warton and Dix for the Sappers.

On Tuesday the Engineers again played and drew with the Hong Kong Club 1—1, at the Club's ground. Denyer, Homburg and Shaw all played excellent games, with Groston playing an outstanding game at centre-half. Shaw scored for the Sappers, and they were unlucky to lose, having most of the game and being superior in all positions.

Cpl. Edmunds of Royal Air Force, who has represented the Royal Air Force at "Home," will I think, be able to gain his place in the Combined Services team which will play the rest on November 11. He is an excellent left back, and his performances are of consistent excellency. Cpl. Cuthbert of the same unit is also worth a trial.

AT Boundary Street Middlesex seniors beat Police by four goals to two, Bds Hymas scoring the hat-trick, with L/Cpl. Moggeridge netting the other goal. Next Sunday the Middlesex first eleven will entertain the C.B.A. first team at Shamshuipo, bully off 4.30 p.m. The C.B.A. are turning out their strongest team and this should be a good game, and worth watch.

Hockey

The 5th Battalion 7th Rujput Regt., who have only just arrived in the Colony, made a fine debut in the hockey world on Saturday by defeating the Nomads. One of their players has played in the Indian Olympic trials and should be strong assistance to them in the Hockey League here. Capt. Wood is an excellent player and, no doubt will gain his place in the Army side. On Wednesday the Sappers beat the Signals in a scrappy game at Sookunpoo by 3 goals to 2, Westwood getting the hat-trick and Wright (1), Holland (1), scoring for Signals.

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ON Wednesday Royal Scots defeated the Middies in a friendly at the C.B.S. ground by 60 runs. The Middies were all out for 46 runs, Bateman taking 3 wickets for 7 runs, and Emmerson 3 wickets for 6 runs. The Scots replied with 106, Lieut. Fargus making 24 runs and Capt. Patterson 29 runs. Hatfield took 6 wickets for 32 runs, and Nicholson 3 wickets for 10 runs.

Cricket

At Sookunpoo on Wednesday the Service Corps beat the Signals by 17 runs. The Signals were all out for 74 runs and the Corps replied with 91 runs. Martin did some excellent bowling for the Service Corps by taking 7 wickets for 32 ruuns, and Young took 2 for 33 runs. Jones scored 24 not out for the Service Corps, with Logan the Army player getting 16 not out, and Brown 17 before being stumped. Dixon with 18 was the Signals' highest scorer.

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MEDICAL Corps are doing rather well at Rugby this season so far and last week added another wins to their credit.

The first victory was over the Combined Destroyers of the Royal Navy whom they beat 13—3. Capt. Barclay of the Medics played a good game and often prevented the opposing threequarters from getting a touchdown. The threequarters all worked well together throughout the game, the most outstanding players being Major Harvey, Lieut. Coombes, and Pte. Macdonald. The other game resulted in a draw with one of H. M. Ships of 3 points all. It was pretty even throughout and Capt. Scriven worked well all the time. The Medics were without the services of two of their star players in Lieut. Coombes, and Pte. Macdonald.

Rugby Football

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IT is understand that L/Cpl. Dove of the Signals has been holding classes for hockey umpires, and anyone interested is asked to communicate with him. I am sure that he will be only too willing to help any of the service personel.

Hockey Umpires

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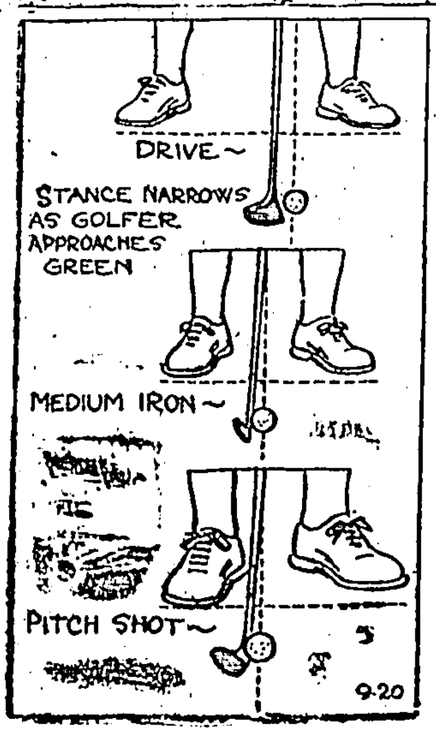

HOW STANCE VARIES

BY BEST BALL

A player's position in regard to the ball varies in a graduated scale from tee to pin. On the longer tee shots, where power is important the golfer stands further from the ball and his feet are separated by a space approximating the width of the shoulders. Such a stance allows a full wind-up and maximum hitting velocity, consistent with the accuracy desired.

For the shorter shots the feet are brought closer together and the body nearer the ball. Here a premium is paid on accuracy and this can be better accomplished by using an upright swing, which requires closer proximity to the ball. A guide to the correct position is given by a graduated set of clubs suited to the player. The player should stand naturally so that these clubs have their soles flat on the turf, neither the heels nor the toes of the clubhead raised.

Next Article: — Curing a Hook.

ARMY SOCCER TRIAL

Following have been chosen to participate in an Army football trial game at Sookunpoo on Wednesday at 4.30 p.m.

Probables: — Moxham (Engineers); Freshwater (Middlesex) and Hamlen (Service Corps); Birrell (Engineers), Guy (30th R.A.) and Wukinson (Middlesex); Coomer (Middlesex), Morgan (Service Corps), Fox (Engineers), Clarke (Service Corps) and Martin (Service Corps).

Possibles: — Duncan (Royal Scots); Naysmith (Royal Scots); Lawson (Royal Artillery); Shaw (Engineers), Bright (Middlesex), and Falconer (Royal Scots); Lam Wai-lun (Engineers), Pearson (Middlesex), Hossack (Royal Scots), Young (Service Corps) and Duffield (Ordnance).

Reserves: — Pelham (Engineers), Jackson (Middlesex) Parnaby (Royal Scots) and Hole (Royal Artillery).

NAVY RUGBY TEAMS

Following will represent Navy to-morrow against Club:

1st XV:—F/Lt. Wright; Tel. Bowden, Tel. Paul, Tel. Honeywill and S/L. McGill; S/L. Rutherford and Lt. Carter; L.S.A. Palmer, Lt. Watson, Sgt. Manfield; F/Lt. Taylor, C.P.O. Wtr. King; Lt. (E) Brown, S/L. Carey and A.B. Longmuir.

"A" XV:—P.O. Clough; L.A.C. Gracie, Cdt. Lamble P.O. Wilson and P.O. Skinner; S/L Smith and A.B. Gallagher; S/L. Eager, Tel. Porter, S/L. Beattie; P/O. Baugh, L.S. Jones; S/L. Danger, S/L. Young and Ord. Sec. Taylor.

Reserves:—L.S.B.A. Addis, A.B. Alley, A.B. Lovelock, L.S. Mitchell, A.B. Williams, Tel. Faulkner and Ldg. Sig. Sandison.

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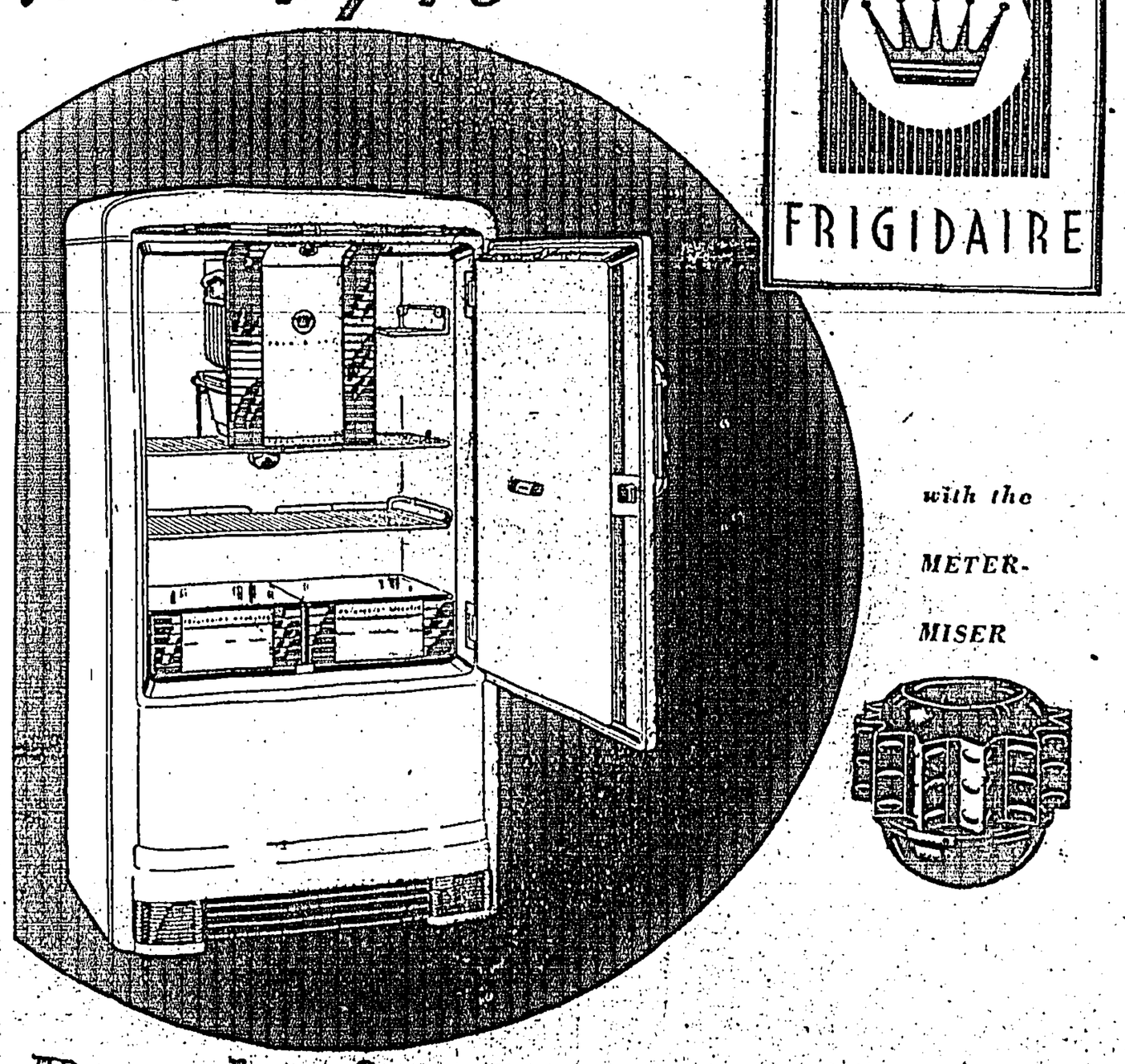

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HITLER SPREADING HIS TENTACLES

Glib Tongue For France And Spain May Not Be All

(By Reuter's Diplomatic Correspondent)

THE AXIS NEGOTIATIONS WITH FRANCE AND SPAIN MAY NOT BY ANY MEANS BE THE WHOLE STORY OF THE EXTENT OF CURRENT GERMAN DIPLOMATIC MANOEUVRES.

It is probable that secret feelers are also being put out in the East.

The curtain of silence enshrouding all recent Axis moves are easily explicable in the light of the well-known Nazi policy of avoiding committing itself to any course in case it fails to achieve success.

Hence precise indications of German desiderata vis-a-vis Laval and Franco are lacking.

Whatever form Germany's proposals may have taken, however, they have apparently encountered some opposition in Vichy despite Laval's compliant atitude.

transfer of the Petain Government to Paris, according to the Berlin correspondent of the Yugoslav newspaper "Politika" quoted yesterday by Belgrade radio.

According to a Rome despatch to the same paper the situation in Syria was given special attention at the meeting.—Reuter.

It is interesting to note that the veteran Marshal Petain is still able to make a stand in honour and obstinacy, even though he is liable to be circumvented by some of the astute politicians around him.

As to the sudden Hitler-Franco meeting, the fact that the Fuehrer put himself out to the extent of a 500-mile railway journey is proof of the importance of the issues involved.

Italy In Dark

Belief that an attempt was made to obtain from the Spanish Caudillo what the Axis failed to secure from Senor Suner in his Berlin visit, still holds.

The attitude of the Italian press to the latest developments indicates they are as much in the dark as the rest of the world but that they are determined not to be overlooked or admit they have been slighted.—Reuter.

France To Start Peace Offensive?

PETAIN SEES HITLER

Rumours that France may launch a new peace move on behalf of the Axis are circulating in diplomatic circles in Vichy, according to Vichy advices received in New York yesterday.

These rumours are linked with a reported impending further meeting between Pierre Laval, French Vice-Premier, and Hitler in Paris.

Meanwhile Marshal Petain has left Vichy for an unknown destination attired in full State uniform and accompanied by leaders of his Cabinet, according to Vichy reports quoted in a Berlin despatch.—Reuter.

Barest Communique

Hitler and Marshal Petain met yesterday at an undisclosed place in France.

A communique issued in Berlin after the meeting says: "The Fuehrer to-day received the Chief of the French State and President of the French Council of Ministers, Marshal Petain.

"The Foreign Minister, von Ribbentrop, and the Vice-President of the French Council of Ministers, Laval, were present." — Reuter.

First Result

First tangible result of the Hitler-Laval meeting will be the

WIDESPREAD RAIDS IN SOUTH FRANCE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

WIDESPREAD COMMUNIST ACTIVITIES IN SOUTHERN FRANCE ARE SEEN IN THE FACT THAT THE NEW POLICE CHIEF OF MARSEILLES, CAPT. DE PORTZIC, YESTERDAY ORDERED THE ARREST OF 13 SUSPECTS BELIEVED TO BE PROMINENT COMMUNIST LEADERS, BRINGING TO 78 THE TOTAL NUMBER OF ARRESTS IS THE LAST FEW DAYS.

The police confiscated many pamphlets and placed the arrested men at the disposal of the military authorities. Widespread searches were also carried out in Lyons where important documents pertaining to Communist propaganda were discovered in the house of a woman worker.

A few days ago searches were carried out and many arrests made in the Loire region, well-known for its heavy industries. — Havas.

TWO TRAWLERS SUNK BY MINES

Two trawlers, Velia and Lord Stamp, have been sunk by enemy mines, according to an Admiralty announcement in London yesterday.—Reuter.

STOP PRESS

STARTLING DROP IN TEMPERATURE

An amazing drop in temperature was recorded in Hong Kong last night, with no less than 31 degrees Fahrenheit difference between the maximum and minimum temperatures of the day.

The winter now seems to have really arrived, with the Observatory forecasting that to-day will be "considerably cooler."

The maximum temperature recorded at the Observatory yesterday was 88 deg. Fah., while the minimum last night was only 57 deg. Fah.!

At 10 o'clock this morning, the thermometer was still down in the dumps, recording only two degrees above yesterday's minimum.

With another two months to go, Hong Kong is now only some six inches off the all-time rain record set in 1889 of 119.715 inches. Total rainfall since January 1, 1940, was 113.77 inches, as compared with an average of 81.59 inches—and it was still drizzling!

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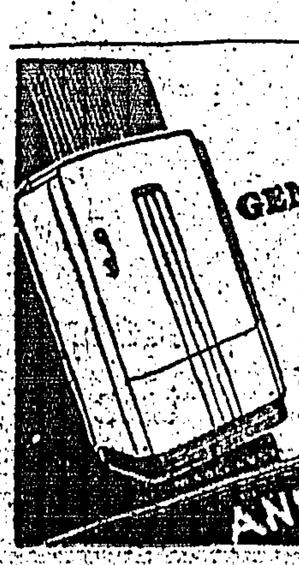

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